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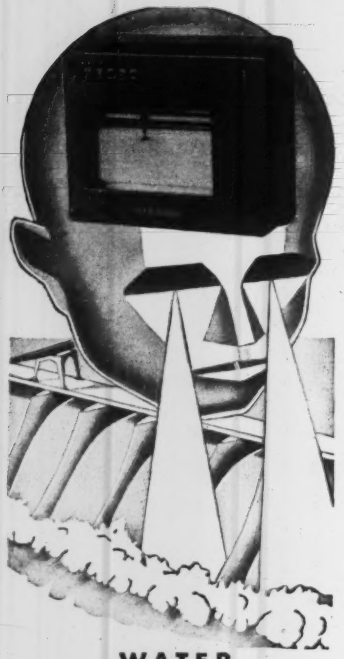

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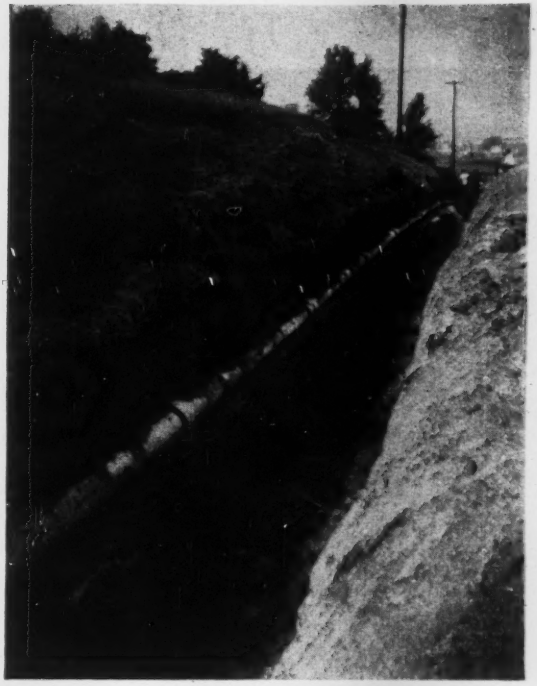

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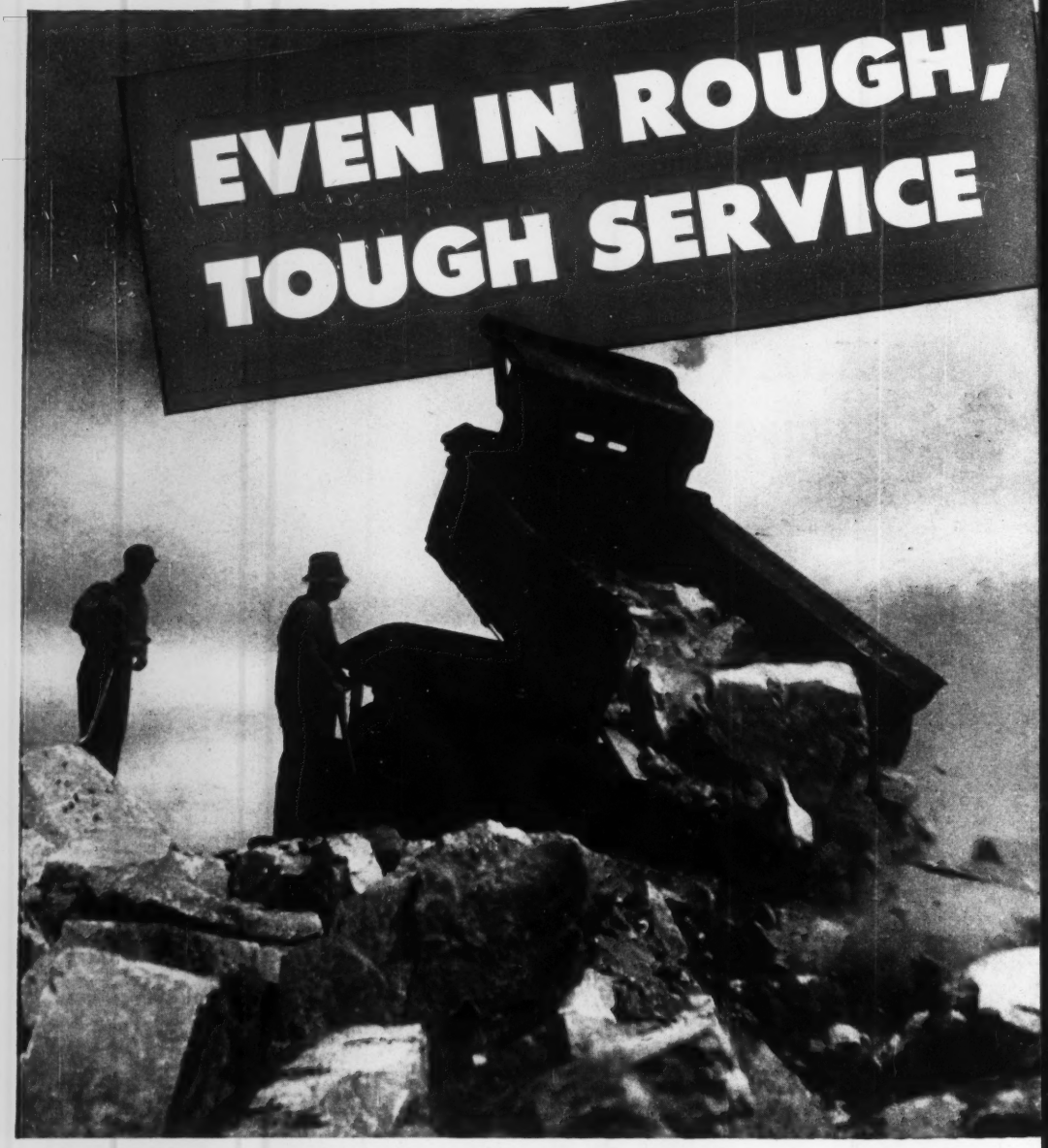


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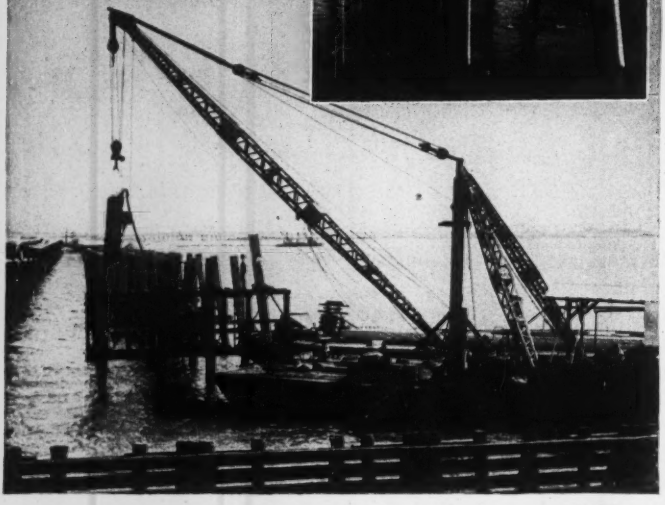

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**Housing cooperative**—Faced with rental increases on their homes, a group of Omaha, Neb., school teachers decided it was time to look into the possibility of acting cooperatively in meeting their housing problems. A meeting was called; a committee was named to spearhead the movement, and cooperators paid $25 each to cover expenses. A suitable site was finally obtained; it was decided to build a 12-story apartment house, and cooperators again made payments of more than $80,000. Last October, the FHA issued a commitment in the amount of $595,000 under the cooperative housing provisions of Section 213 of the National Housing Act as amended. Construction of the project is now under way. The cooperative group is setting up a nonprofit corporation which will hold title to the apartment building and give long-term leases to members.

**No work, no pay**—In Johnson and Henry counties, Ind., commissioners have refused to pay claims of $782.50 made by three county surveyors for services, which, it is claimed, were not rendered. The men are otherwise employed, and it is alleged that they give very little time to their elective office.

**Direct action**—Many motorists in Pleasantville, N. Y., don't like the "No left turn" signs at Manville Road and the Saw Mill River parkway, but it remained for an ex-Army captain to do something about it. At night he removed several of the signs and threw them into the river as a hint to the authorities. However, he was a decent fellow at heart. His conscience bothered him so he went to the parkway police headquarters and gave himself up and in police court paid $35 in fines for malicious mischief. He did not say whether or not he thought he had got his money's worth.

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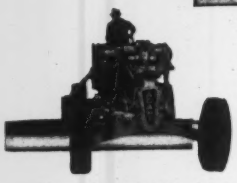

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**State highway commission**—The proposed formation of a Washington state highway commission, sought in the last several biennial sessions of the state legislature, is believed to have its best chance for approval this year, with support from such organizations as the Washington Good Roads Association, Highway Research Council, Inland Auto Association, Highway Users Conference, State Grange, Motel Operators Association, Motor Transport Association and Seattle Truck Owners Association. However, Gov. Arthur B. Langlie opposes the plan, arguing that the governor should be responsible for the major portion of state government. The commission would be composed of non-salaried member appointed by the governor. It would employ the highway director with the proviso that the director would not be removed every time a new governor is elected.

**Too much hot air**—In the recently rebuilt chamber of the House of Representatives at Washington stainless steel sheets in the new ceiling buckled and had to be repaired. Experts said this was caused by too much hot air, that is, from the steam heat, not the congressmen.

**For diaper-set delegates**—Planners of the American Water Works Association convention in Miami, Fla., Apr. 29-May 4, have neglected no one. Special arrangements have been made through the local convention bureau to provide baby sitters for those delegates who bring their youngsters along.

**Rattling good story**—Aldermen of Melrose, Mass., passed an ordinance barring gravel trucks from city streets when residents complained that their homes were being shaken by scores of such vehicles passing through from Woburn, Wilmington and other northern towns to the Logan International Airport being built in East Boston. In the meantime, on the other side of the continent at San Jose, Calif., an irate housewife complained that faulty construction of manholes made traffic jars. "When a truck goes by," she said, "my walls rattle, my dishes rattle, my pots and pans rattle, and I rattle."

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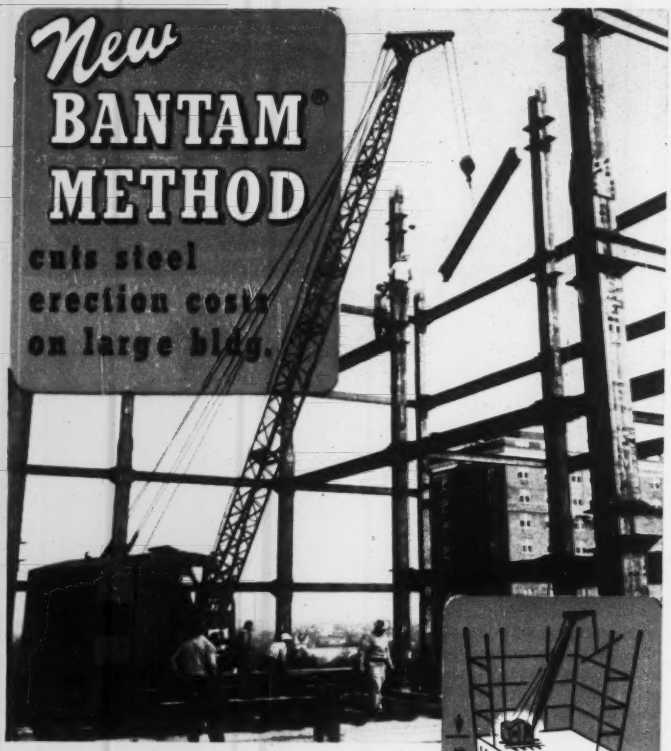


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Today, although nearing 70, Mr. Harza is operating on a schedule of one month out of every four in India as chairman of the consulting board of the Damodar Valley Corp., that nation's version of our own TVA. With eight or nine dams to build and a legacy of hand labor operation to start with, Mr. Harza is setting out to mechanize the job and give India an example of American construction know-how at work.

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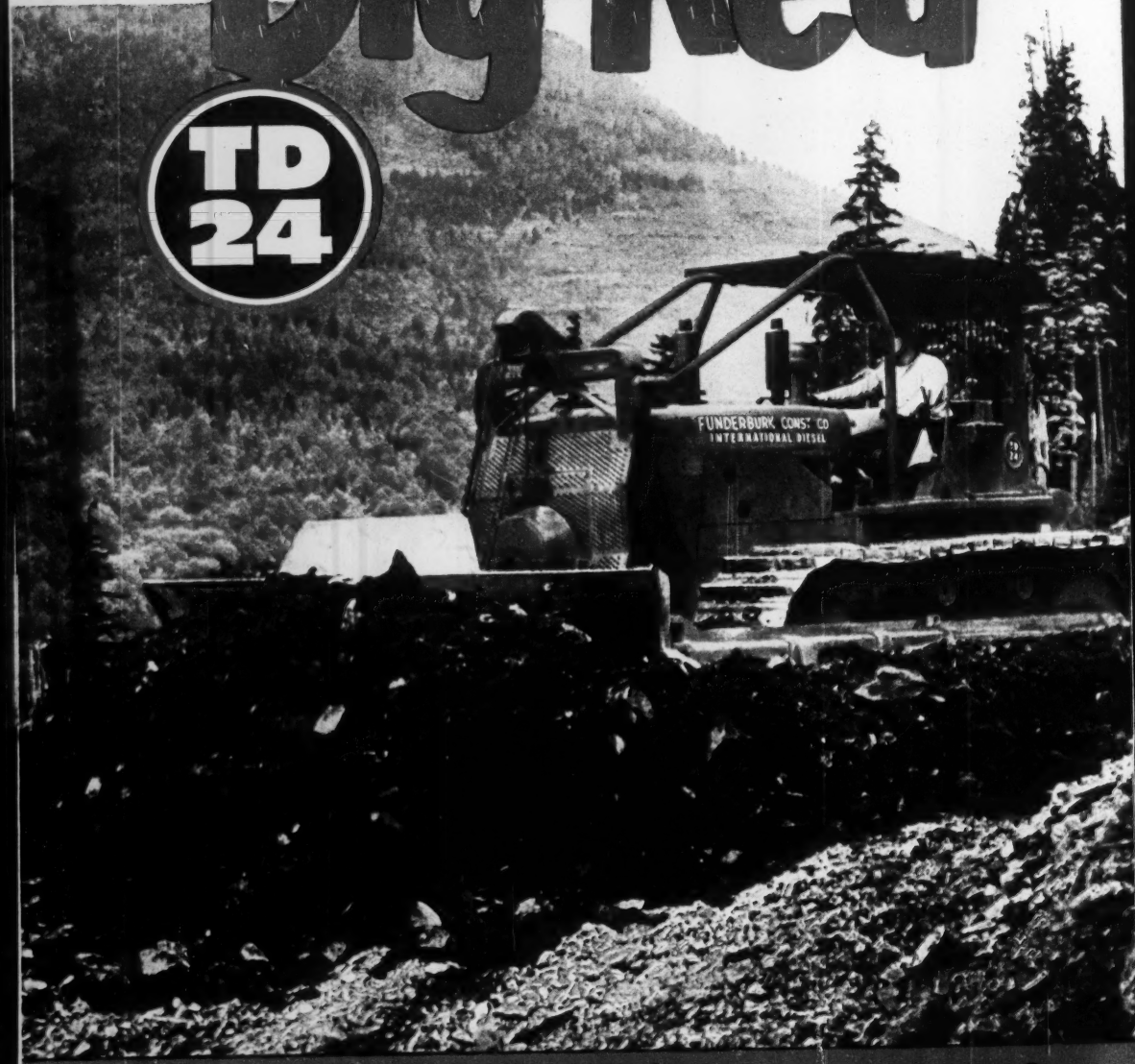

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# THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

**REASON FOR RUSH**—Engineers and contractors being pushed to start and finish new industrial plants can find a reason for hurry in the tempo of defense production—$2 billion worth a month now but scheduled to double by the end of the year. Impetus for the increase resides in the $5 billion of orders now being placed each month.

**SIGNS OF OUR TIMES**—A telephone call made last week to a young engineer with a New York firm confirmed what is already pretty evident concerning employment conditions. The call was routed through the office personnel department where the caller's name, company and business were demanded. Explanation: A defense against pirating of personnel.

**SCRAP NEEDED**—Plans for a drive for steel scrap are being readied by the National Production Authority. But remembering the World War II fiasco when every householder was importuned to turn in scrap, which didn't reach the mills until the war was over, the idea now is to confine the drive to industry, the military and perhaps to farmers.

**STEEL EXPANSION SETBACK?**—Lapse of an option to buy 900 acres for a one-blast-furnace steel mill near Trenton, Mich. leaves the future of the proposed Gibraltar Steel Corp. in doubt (ENR Feb. 15, p. 29). Option was held by Carlton M. Higbie, president of Higbie Manufacturing Co., of Rochester, N. Y. He is a member of the proposed Gibraltar Corp. The plant, with 5,000 Ft. frontage on the Detroit River, was to be built in 18 months. Nine-tenths of the $100,000,000 cost was to be financed by a Reconstruction Finance Corp. loan; the remainder by public subscription.

**VEPCO LICENSE TO STICK**—Federal Power Commission has denied the motion of Interior Secretary Oscar L. Chapman to stay the issuance of a license to Virginia Electric & Power Co. for development of the Roanoke Rapids site (ENR Apr. 12, p. 17). FPC maintains that the license was granted through its original decision and acceptance has been filed by the power company.

**FLUORIDATION CHECK**—Fluoridation suffered a setback this week as the New Jersey Section, American Water Works Association, cautioned State Board of Health against "physiological implications", wasted treatment. The move came right on heels of sanction of New York (ENR Apr. 5, p. 29). Look for positive action from AWWA's Miami meeting next week as a result.

**ANOTHER PRESTRESSED BRIDGE**—Royal Oak Township, Oakland County, Mich., is getting the next prestressed concrete bridge. It will have three spans—two end spans of 44 ft each and a middle span of 42 ft 4 in. Bridge will have machine-made, precast concrete blocks, I-beam in shape, measuring 1 ft 3⅝ in by 1 ft 11¾ in by 7⅝ in. Contract is for $99,220; contractor is L. A. Davidson, Lansing, Mich. Design is by Clark, Johnson and Anderson, consulting engineers, Pontiac, Mich., who have been instructed to design a second similar bridge nearby.

**BRIDGE FOR BUSY RAILROAD**—The New York Central Railroad announced this week that it will begin construction about May 1 of a four-track, vertical-lift bridge spanning the Harlem River in New York City. It will be built to the west of, and will replace, a present swing bridge. The railroad runs a daily average of 600 trains, carrying 180,000 passengers, over the spot.

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## CONSTRUCTION MAY MATCH 1950; EARLY START HELPS BUILDERS

**1951 volume of construction should come close to last year's $27.7 billion—in spite of shortages and controls.**

Shortages of materials, especially steel, will cut into volume later in the year. But construction got off to such a fast start in the first quarter that total expenditures for 1951 are now expected to reach $25 billion.

New controls are also expected to cut down activity eventually. But the Controlled Materials Plan, broadest of expected controls, will take some time to get going. If CMP starts operating in July, its effects won't be felt much in building until late in the third quarter. So CMP can't have much effect on construction volume for 1951 as a whole.

Even in the long run, CMP will not cut construction too heavily. Materials will still be available for essential projects. Short of war, even the less essential jobs will continue—and they may receive help in getting materials. Government people do not plan to stop any projects legitimately started.

FAST START—Booming construction activity in the first quarter points to a big total for 1951.

Construction expenditures ran at an annual rate of $31 billion (seasonally adjusted) in the first quarter. That is 3% higher than the fourth quarter of 1950, and fully 20% over a year ago.

Activity is heavy for almost every type of construction—more buildings are being built than a year ago in every category except social and recreational.

**So far, shortages and slow deliveries of materials have not slowed down the rate of new construction starts. Owners and builders are still rushing to begin work ahead of further restrictions. New projects were started in larger volume than old ones were completed during the first quarter. Result has been a steady rise in the backlog of going work.**

Still more work is being planned. Figures on new contracts show the rush to get started. E N-R recorded $2.5 billion in private construction awards in the first quarter—71% over a year ago. Awards for industrial construction went up 442% in the same period.

No one expects construction to hold this pace all year long. New controls may cut into starts eventually. Growing shortages of materials are likely to discourage many builders from beginning new projects, and force others to slow down work on jobs already begun.

But, regardless of future trouble with materials and controls, the flying start in the first quarter means a high level of activity for 1951.

EARLY START HELPS—Builders think that by starting now they can be sure of getting materials later—and they probably are right.

As of now, mobilization officials do not plan to shut off building supplies for going projects. That goes for non-essential as well as essential jobs—as long as a project was started legally, Washington would like to see it finished.

That means all legitimate jobs will have the right to use materials. But it does not guarantee that materials will be available when they are needed.

Delays in deliveries are bound to increase during the year for jobs that have no preference rating. Still, the builder who has already started will be much better off than the man who suddenly finds his proposed project forbidden by a new government order.

**Government may even help non-rated projects held up by shortages of critical materials. Pressure for that kind of help will increase through the year. And Washington will respond to the pressure—officials want all projects finished and put to use.**

NEW CONTROLS—Controls will become more important for construction as the year passes.

During May, claimant agencies will send out forms (CMP4C) to owners and builders of construction projects. Anyone who wants to have his building considered for materials allotment will fill out one of these forms.

The Controlled Materials Plan is expected to start July 1. After that date the major metals—steel, copper, aluminum—will be under direct government allocation.

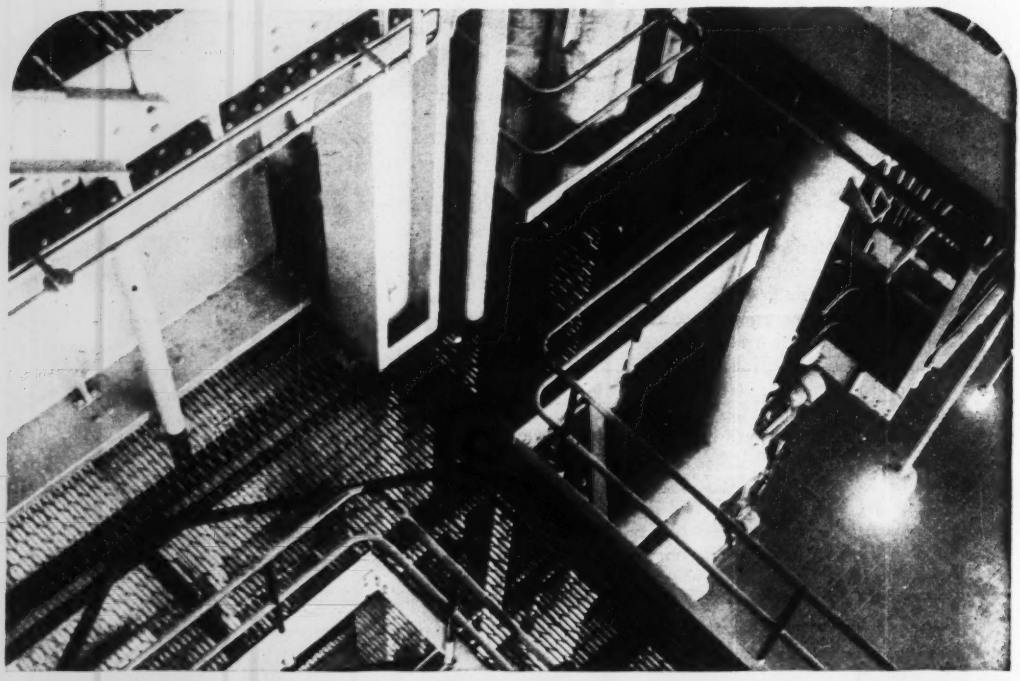
CMP will help rated projects get deliveries on schedule. Claimant agencies for essential programs—such as hospitals, schools, highways, water supply—will get quarterly allotments of critical metals. Agencies will certify projects of first importance, then assign them preference ratings for delivery of critical materials.

Getting a preference rating will not guarantee a steady supply of materials. Supplies are not big enough to go around, so agencies will not get all that they request.

But claimant agencies will get a large part of their overall materials requirements. As a result, rated construction projects will be fairly sure of a steady flow of materials.

Effects of CMP will not be too evident in the third quarter. By the fourth quarter, construction will begin to feel the impact of selective materials allocations. But the impact will come too late to cause much change in 1951 activity.

**It is too early to say how CMP will affect construction in 1952. But by the end of that year, the plan will have served its purpose. At that time—barring total war—government should begin to relax controls.**



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## Federal toll road net unrealistic

PERIODICALLY some member of Congress presents a bill calling for a system of super-highways criss-crossing the continent. This year's first proposal comes from Senator Harley M. Kilgore of West Virginia. It varies from earlier ones chiefly in its provision for setting up a federal corporation to issue bonds to pay the cost, estimated at a modest $12 billion. Construction, operation and maintenance costs would be financed by tolls.

All these proposals ignore the fact that there is no need for such super-highways in most parts of this country, and that toll income would not support them.

As of today, state-owned toll roads are built or under construction in most of the areas where traffic is sufficiently dense to warrant them. If these roads prove profitable, it appears obvious that the states will not turn them over to a federal corporation that might use the proceeds to back less profitable toll highways in other parts of the country. If they are failures, a federal corporation would not take them over as part of an integrated national network—and in addition would have a hard time selling bonds for a federal super-highway net.

All of which seems to indicate that Senator Kilgore's super-highway network can be relegated to the visionary shelf along with the many that have gone before it.

There is, however, one aspect of the current toll highway situation—the lack of coordinated planning for the roads now being built—that does suggest a need for federal cooperation. Of the many roads now in existence, under construction or planned, only in two instances was any definite provision made in the planning for interstate connections. The New Hampshire Turnpike was designed as a continuation of the Maine Turnpike, and the eastern end of Ohio's projected toll turnpike was planned to connect with the western extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

This lack of planning for toll turnpikes as units in an integrated regional or national highway network should be of concern to the federal authorities. Also, as was pointed out in a discussion of the toll-road problem in these pages last year (ENR March 30, 1950, p. 26), there is grave danger that the collection of tolls may be continued indefinitely on toll highways that prove to be profitable. That, too, should be of concern to the federal government, since it could result in a highly inequitable tax on interstate commerce.

The federal government could meet this situation in two ways. As one alternative, it could offer to let the states now operating or building toll roads use part of their federal aid highway money for these necessary connections, *provided* they make them part of an integrated system, and *provided* the highways on which those funds are used are freed of tolls just as soon as it is possible to do so.

A still better plan would be an amplification of the provision of last year's federal-aid highway act that authorizes states to use future federal-aid funds to retire bonds issued now or in the near future to finance needed highway construction. Extending that provision to cover retirement of toll-highway bonds (under the restrictions outlined above) would give the Bureau of Public Roads a persuasive force with which to work for closer integration of existing or projected toll highways into a truly national highway network.

Such a change might have the effect of fostering the construction of some additional toll highways. But in the long view it would speed the day when all toll highways would become a part of the free-road system. Also, it would be a much more realistic approach to the question of toll highways than is the Kilgore proposal or the present completely negative attitude of federal highway authorities.

## Waterworks in civil defense

WATERWORKS MEN are becoming increasingly aware of their responsibilities in civil defense. And one of the responsibilities that is giving them most concern is the need to convince civil defense planners that protection of water supplies should have top priority, and that present planning should recognize that fact.

Civil defense, basically, is a local responsibility, and on that level waterworks men can do a great deal in their own behalf. But the real strength of civil defense rests in cooperative action between state, city and local agencies, or between adjoining areas. The primary need, therefore, is a well-coordinated state plan of civil defense in which major consideration is given to a continued supply of ample safe water in any eventuality. Legislative authority and adequate financial appropriations are of course, necessary to make such a plan operable.

Above all, the plan for coordination should be simple of operation. The larger communities, while perhaps the more likely targets of attack, also have the advantages of manpower and funds in developing workable defense plans. These advantages should be shared with smaller urban areas, now, during the planning stage, for the big city might well be dependent upon outlying towns for assistance in case of attack.

In the few states where legislative authority has established real coordination of defense efforts, waterworks men are to be found in the upper echelons of the setup. Where proper plans for defense, including protection of water supplies, are still lacking, waterworks men ought to take a leading part in their development.

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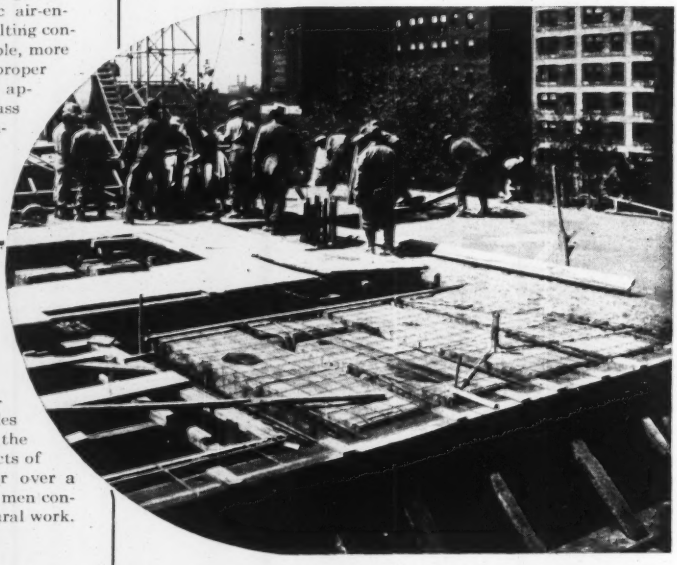

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# Builders see housing drop after pre-Reg. X backlog

**National Association of Home Builders differs with government estimators; believes total starts will amount to 600,000-700,000 this year**

A "fair" volume of housing starts through June, followed by a sharp drop for the last five or six months of the year, with an overall total of perhaps 600,000-700,000 starts for the year, is the prospect seen by the National Association of Home Builders.

In this, they differ sharply from government housing people, who think that the 260,000 starts for the first quarter of 1951 (ENR Apr. 19, p. 17), indicate the nation may overshoot the government's avowed 800-850,000 target.

• **Backlog**—Reviewing their industry and the work it has done so far, NAHB members say starts so far this year have been mainly on the basis of pre-Regulation X commitments, and expect that these financing agreements (made before Oct. 12) will sustain volume of starts until about July.

(Actually, this backlog is disappearing. At the end of March, about 15,000 units in one-to-four-family houses, and less than 125,000 in multi-family projects remained on the books.)

From July on, NAHB figures, the bulk of home building will be under the new credit curbs. To take account of the new regulations, the builders are shifting their operations—where possible—into lower-cost housing, and into more rental and co-op housing. So far, the builders have been surprised by the good volume of large down payment selling, but they feel they have skimmed the cream off this market, and the supply of buyers able to make larger cash payments is declining.

• **Problems**—two main problems—financing and availability of building materials—are causing builders to mark time and defer plans for future operations. Financing hinges on the credit curbs, and to a lesser extent on the increase in the government bond rate that makes mortgages less attractive to insurance companies and other large lenders.

Building materials, as yet, are not in seriously short supply—according to reports to NAHB—but scarcities are expected to show up by July or August. Labor is still no problem.

• **Effect of curbs**—FHA mortgages and VA appraisal requests show the effect of credit curbs. Appraisal requests to VA are running about half what they were in the August-October period a year ago, and are nearly 80% lower than in the middle of last summer. FHA new-home (one-to-four-family) applications were up a little in the last week of March and first week of April, but they are down 42% from the July-October (1950) average.

(The effect is apparent also in ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD's figures, which to date show mass housing down 32% under 1950, private housing down 45% and public up 82%.

• **British Columbia, too**—Due to increasing construction costs, erection of the last 500 of 1,100 homes planned in the Fraserview development in Vancouver, B. C., has been cancelled.

• **Housing problem in reverse**—Connecticut legislators—considering a measure aimed at providing money for more low-cost housing—discovered the state has a housing problem in reverse:

It has 1,400 homes unsold under a current program.

The story is this: Under former Governor Chester Bowles, the state spent about $100 million on a home ownership program under which contractors could borrow money from the state at 1½% interest, and purchasers could get state-guaranteed mortgages at 2% interest. Through this program, the state sponsored construction of about 6,000 one-family dwellings in the $8,000 to $12,000 class.

• **The switch**—Reflecting the change in emphasis from housing to industrial work, a Bureau of Labor Statistics survey of urban building showed a substantial jump in valuation for January, 1951, as compared with a year ago.

In January, 1951, new residential buildings of all types were valued at $391.2 million, a drop of 11.2% under the $440.5 million recorded in December, 1950. This was, however, a rise of 18.1% over January, 1950. However, new non-residential building for January was $265 million, a jump of 45.4% over the $182 million recorded in January, 1950.

# Highway load controls: little change

Washington transportation officials now look for no major change in the system of controlling overloads on highways that has been in effect since last December. In a recent letter to the governors of all the states, James K. Knudson, head of the Defense Transportation Administration, told the governors that "unjustifiable state limitations on sizes and weights . . . cannot be tolerated in time of national emergency" (ENR March 29, p. 67).

State highway officials saw, in Mr. Knudson's letter, an attempt to substitute for the control system set up by the Defense Department late last year a weaker control system similar to the one applied during World War II when great damage was done to highways by overloads. Under the current control system the Defense Department designated 14 officials representatives of the three armed services and authorized those men—and no others—to request waivers or permits to move overweight trucks.

Top transportation policy for the emergency now is guided by Committee on Defense Transportation and Storage that began functioning early in April. This nine-man group, under Charles E. Wilson in the Office of Defense Mobilization, is headed by Delos W. Rentzel, Under-Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, as chairman.

ODM and its transportation committee will help settle the truck-weight question. DTA now is expected to adopt a system that will follow the lines already laid down by the Defense Department—probably by authorizing ICC regional offices to transmit requests to the responsible official in each state.

# WSB group to have extended powers

Breaking the five-month deadlock over operation of the Wage Stabilization Board (ENR Feb. 15, p. 23), President Truman last week created a new board, with extended powers that will include settlement of labor disputes. George W. Taylor, of the University of Pennsylvania, will head it.

The decision—which follows in general suggestions privately made by labor leaders—was looked upon in Washington as a victory for the labor group. Labor walked out of the original board in mid-February.

The extended plan will increase the board's membership from 9 to 18 members, representing labor, management and the public; broaden WSB power to include settlement of labor disputes; make WSB decisions binding on parties who agree to that.

Industry—through the National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce—has steadily opposed such a solution, contending that (1) provisions of the Defense Act under which WSB was formed would not permit the board to settle disputes, and (2) WSB interference in disputes would complicate the extensive industry machinery already existing for settlement of such disputes under Taft-Hartley.

• **Breaking the deadlock**—However, the President's specially-appointed National Advisory Board on Mobilization Policy recommended acceptance of the extension of the WSB's membership and powers as a means of breaking the labor-management deadlock which has blocked any WSB activity since labor's walkout Feb. 16.

Mr. Truman's decision was the apparent end of two months of almost continuous negotiation involving labor leaders, NAM and the U. S. C of C, and Eric Johnston, economic stabilization boss.

The plan approved by the President is credited in Washington to Walter Reuther, auto union chief, and George Meany, AFL secretary-treasurer. It had been proposed by Johnston to the industry people more than a week ago, and rejected by them.

## Hit-run vessel damages Chesapeake Bay Bridge

The unfinished Chesapeake Bay Bridge (ENR Oct. 26, 1950, p. 32) suffered its first bridge collision recently, when an unidentified craft crashed against a pier and damaged it.

The Coast Guard is looking for the vessel involved in the accident, which is believed to have occurred at night. Seven of the pilings of Pier 28 were pulled out of place by what appears to have been a glancing blow, according to a report by a spokesman for the Frederick Snare Corp., one of the contractors. Each of the pilings weighs 300 lbs per ft.

Pier 28 is the anchor pier on the Eastern Shore side of the new span.

Two theories are expressed as to the type of vessel that crashed into the construction. One is that a loaded barge hit it, without the tug operators feeling the impact. The other is that no ship lighter than a freighter could have caused such extensive damage.

**CAST-IN-PLACE SEWER—Constructed in sheeted trench is part of the 8,500-ft south interceptor to feed Owls Head Sewage Works, being built in Brooklyn by New York City's Dept. of Public Works (ENR Sept. 28, 1950, p. 44). Subterrane Corp. has contract for this interceptor, which varies in dia from 8 to 9 ft. L. B. Foster Co. furnished the sheet piling—and this photo.**

## NLRB takes union to court alleging unfair practice

A National Labor Relations Board court action at St. Louis, Mo., Thursday charged a local of the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers with unfair practices.

Filed in federal court by Harold Greenberg, acting NLRB regional director, the suit charges the union with attempting to force the Lowry Motor Co. to cease doing business with the Carondelet Neon Sign Co. The union, said NLRB, has maintained a picket line at the motor company since Dec. 27, in an attempt to get it to withdraw its order for repairs, placed earlier.

## Canada debates pipelines under three applications

Three proposed pipelines are under consideration by the Canadian House of Commons.

Trans-Mountain Pipeline Corp. has been incorporated under a bill passed at Ottawa to pipe oil from Alberta to the Pacific Coast. Its export application hearing before the Dominion Board of Transport Commissioners was scheduled to open at Ottawa this week.

If the application is successful, Trans-Mountain plans to have a 715-mi pipeline through Yellowhead Pass in operation by January, 1953.

The Commons also approved incorporation of Trans-Canada Pine Lines Ltd., which plans a $250-million, 3,100-mi natural gas line from Pincher Creek in Alberta to Montreal, possibly later going to Quebec City.

Incorporation of Border Pipeline Co., which proposes an oil line route to the Pacific Northwest from Alberta via Kingsgate, Spokane, Seattle and Portland, with a stub line to Vancouver, B. C., has been stalled in the Commons by a filibuster.

## Free chimney for Glendale incinerator through error

The city of Glendale, Calif., has awarded a contract for construction of a new incinerator, and has held the low bidder to his proposal—despite an estimating oversight which omitted the cost of a $38,000 chimney for the new plant.

Unlucky contractor is Nichols Engineering and Research Corp., New York. The city council turned a deaf ear to the company's request to withdraw its low bid, after a re-check showed that the chimney had not been included in the bid. Company officials finally agreed to let the bid stand—and started work.

# Congress cuts interior construction, raps Reclamation Bureau policies

**House Appropriations Committee cuts $39 million out of budget; asks investigation of administrative practices**

Coupling its action with a cut of $39,000,000 in budget figures for the Department of the Interior, the House Appropriations Committee last week sharply criticized administrative policies of the Bureau of Reclamation, and asked the Secretary of the Interior to investigate the bureau's activities.

The committee ended its work by recommending a total of $520 million for the department in fiscal year 1952—a reduction from $559 million requested. Reclamation was cut $18,500,000, to $233.5 million—most of the cut ($16,500,000) coming out of the construction budget, which was reduced to a total of $207 million, compared to nearly $244 million available this year.

Action by the House and Senate will determine final figures.

• **Sharp criticism**—The committee took occasion to rap sharply across the knuckles of the Bureau of Reclamation, for making surveys of the route of proposed interconnections between the Bonneville and Central Valley power systems. Last year, the committee told the Bureau to spend no money on work for the proposed line.

Nevertheless, hearings on the present appropriation disclosed that the Bureau had spent $116,000 in the first six months of the current fiscal year on surveys of transmission lines north of Shasta Dam to the Oregon border. Calling the action "no mere coincidence", the committee noted that these surveys were in the very area through which the proposed tie lines would pass.

"Nonwithstanding explanations offered by representatives of the department", said the report, "the conclusion is inescapable that the Bureau of Reclamation has expended funds in direct contravention of the clearly expressed intent of Congress and positive instructions of the secretary. . . . The committee hereby requests the secretary to investigate . . . and to report promptly his findings . . . together with a report on disciplinary action taken by him. . . ."

• **Rap policies**—On administrative matters, the committee also rapped Reclamation. Nothing reports of overstaffing and inefficiencies, it said:

"Hoarding valuable personnel—including engineers and technicians whose services might much better be applied to the national defense effort—is inexcusable. . . . The reduction of construction and other Reclamation activities makes it imperative that the Bureau vigorously reduce administrative and other personnel and take firm action toward consolidating its regional and district organizations and eliminating duplications."

In line with this dictum, the group cut $500,000 off the $6,000,000 requested for general administrative expenses of the bureau, including the Washington, Denver and regional offices. (Available this year was $6,864,000 for this item, compared to $5,500,000 the committee approved.)

• **Cuts and shavings**—Interior Department estimates previously had undergone trimming by the Bureau of the Budget, to bring them into line with the President's directive to defer nonessential works. Last fall, Reclamation submitted construction estimates totaling more than $310 million. Budget cut them to less than $224 million.

Nearly $8,000,000 of the gross cut was obtained through elimination of 13 transmission lines and one water distribution system. The rest of the recommended saving was spread pretty evenly among the going projects, with only a few showing severe curtailment.

Cuts recommended included:

Missouri Basin—overall reduction of $7,000,000. Includes two severe reductions, the Cedar Bluff unit of the Smoky Hill Division cut to $500,000 from $1,310,000; and the St. Francis unit of the Upper Republican Division, cut to $134,000 from $334,000.

Central Valleys—total cut (mostly in power lines) was $4,500,000, leaving an appropriation of $34,000,000.

Alaska—road construction of $20,000,000 approved—a cut of $1,700,000 under request; Alaska Railroad, got $2,000,000 out of $2,500,000 requested; public works got $7,00,000, compared to $10,000,000 requested.

Bureau of Indian Affairs—cut $6,425,000, mostly in construction funds.

Approvals included:

National Parks Service, $11,975,000 of construction money (of which $4,200,000 goes for the Baltimore-Washington parkway); Bureau of Mines, $1,250,000 for construction; Virgin Islands public works, $1,000,000; Geological Survey, $22,000,000; Dairs Dam, $8,000,000; $10,000,000 for the Cachuma project at Santa Barbara; $19,000,000 for Colorado-Big Thompson; $22,000,000 for Hungry Horse dam, in Montana; $27,000,000 for Columbia Basin projects; $8,000,000 for Canyon Ferry Dam in Montana.

## Merrill Bernard dies, climatological chief

Merrill Bernard, 59, civil engineer and chief of the Climatological and Hydrological Services of the United States Weather Bureau, died April 13 in Washington, D. C. He was the author of numerous technical papers and was the 1946 winner of the Norman Medal, presented by the American Society of Civil Engineers for advancement of science.

From 1939 to 1946, Mr. Bernard was the Weather Bureau's hydrologic director. In 1945 he went to Russia as a member of the American Meteorological mission and as one of a group of 14 American scientists selected to attend the 220th anniversary of the founding of the Russian Academy of Science. The next year, on leave from the Weather Bureau, he became special attache to the American Embassy in Moscow. He attended the Military College of South Carolina, Oklahoma A. and M., and the Universities of Wisconsin and Michigan.

At the time of his death, Mr. Bernard was president of the International Association of Hydrology and the International Union of Geodesy.

## U. S. Public Health Service wants sanitary engineers

Competitive examinations for the appointment of officers as sanitary engineers in the regular commissioned corps of the United States Public Health Service will be held in various cities throughout the country on Aug. 6, 7, and 8, next. The examination will include written tests, an oral interview, and a physical examination. Completed applications must be in the Washington office by July 9. Appointments will be made in the grades of assistant and senior assistant, equivalent to Navy ranks of lieutenant (j.g.) and lieutenant, respectively.

Applicants must have a bachelor's degree in engineering, preferably civil, sanitary, or chemical, and must complete by May, 1952, a total of at least three additional years of professional training and experience. At least two years of the required experience must have been in public health or an acceptable related field.

For application forms and additional information write to: Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, Washington 25, D. C.

# Rise in construction wage costs seen; escalator contracts lead the advance

**Sixth-round boost appears certain, being forced by cost-of-living contracts approved through June 30; worker incentive cited**

A sixth round of wage increases—above the 10% fifth-round already approved—now seems certain. It is being forced by the cost-of-living wage escalator contracts that Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston has approved through June 30.

The escalators have already raised wage levels to 10% over the figure for January 15, 1950—which was to be allowed by a "catch up" wage stabilization formula. Another four or five cents will be due in June, under cost-of-living agreements.

Most contracts that follow the General Motors pattern provide for annual "improvement" increases of four cents an hour. These increases do not have the approval of the government, but Johnston has suggested they be allowed as an incentive to workers.

• **Tough to deny**—Having approved escalator contracts in effect before the wage freeze date (Jan. 25), wage stabilizers will have a tough time denying other forms of delayed increases in union contracts, or keeping other unions from achieving wage parity.

Unless Congress puts a heavy foot on the brakes when it overhauls the Defense Production Act next month, a continued—though perhaps regulated—rise in wage costs can be expected.

An example of the kind of thing Johnston will have to rule on is coming up at Rochester, N. Y., where a majority of building trades unions agreed to sign a joint letter with the Builders Exchange of Rochester, seeking approval of increases granted last summer.

Many of the building trades unions signed two-year wage contracts at Rochester, calling for automatic increases this year—and in several cases these increases are more than those now permitted by federal regulation for the industry.

• **Other developments**—Meanwhile, the labor pot continued to simmer right along. Ohio construction workers got a 10% wage increase, following an agreement with the Ohio Contractors Assn.; carpenters at Sharon, Pa., returned to work after a two-day strike over refusal of contractors to boost wages from $2.25 to $2.50 an hour (they will abide by a WSB decision); the Alliance, Ohio, city council agreed to grant a five-cent per hour boost to all hourly workers of the street department. Construction workers in the Boston area are slated to receive April raises in a general wage-increase movement in the metropolitan district.

**GRANE HOIST—Tunnel construction for a Niagara Falls, N. Y., water intake is nearly complete. Shaft, located at the end of a new mole extending into the Niagara River from Buckhorn Island, has a muck skip handled by a crawler crane. The 8½-ft tunnel is 3,000 ft long, will cost $2,757,000. Intended to bring in water from a less-polluted offshore point, it is an extension of the present tunnel and is expected to be completed next year, including a pumping station and water treatment plant. Leo Butler Co., Silver Spring, Md., is tunnel contractor. Greeley and Hansen Co., Chicago, is consulting engineer. (Aremac photo)**

• **Engineers leaving**—The Indiana State Highway Department has lost some 73 engineers to better-paying jobs, according to Samuel C. Hadden, chairman of the Highway Commission.

Although the state's budget committee approved salary increases, effective April 1, from $10 to $80 a month, eight new resignations were submitted in mid-April.

Under the new Indiana salary schedule for engineers, pay starts at $3,600 a year and the maximum is $7,200.

## Court grants Brown & Root injunction against unions

Brown & Root, Inc., Houston, Texas, engineers and contractors, last week won a round of an all-out battle with construction labor unions, which have carried on a two-year fight against the firm's open shop policy. (ENR Oct. 26, 1950, p. 24). Judge Charles O. Betts, of the Texas District Court, on April 16 granted the construction firm a temporary injunction against 90 American Federation of Labor organizations, prohibiting the unions from "picketing and otherwise harassing" Brown & Root. The court did not, however, grant damages totalling $98,450, also sought.

Nat Wells of Dallas, attorney for the Texas Federation of Labor, immediately filed notice of appeal.

Probably the strongest attack against union labor ever made in Texas, the suit was filed by Brown & Root October 2, 1950. It charged that the unions were violating the state's labor and anti-trust laws, by trying to force the organization to accept a closed-shop policy.

It charged conspiracy toward this end dating back to May 1, 1949. According to the petition, the unions started to picket its place of business in Houston on Jan. 3, 1950, and at the same time threw picket lines around six of its job sites in Houston, Austin and Beaumont.

Additionally, said Brown & Root, 21 material supply firms in Houston and elsewhere were picketed or threatened with picketing to force them to stop selling supplies to the company. Twenty-four other firms, it was claimed, were threatened with listing as "unfair" and with other forms of economic pressure to force them to boycott the construction company.

Further, said the petition, "on each and every job awarded in whole or in part to Brown & Root since May 1, 1949, defendants have threatened to place and maintain pickets at job sites."

Brown & Root has never had anything even resembling a union organization—not even in a shipyard it operated during World War II.

# CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS

## N. Y. builders protected by termination clause

New York City's Board of Education last week had taken an industry-approved step aimed at protection of contractors working on school buildings, in the event of material or labor shortages.

The board approved a new termination clause that permits ending of a contract on proper determination that materials cannot be obtained in time and in quantity to keep work progressing. At the same time, in a separate resolution, the board determined to pay 90% of the cost of materials purchased and stored in advance. Previously, the board paid 80%.

The new termination clause will apply to contractors engaged in new school construction, modernization, maintenance, repairs, supplies and equipment. In cases where more than one contractor is involved, the board may elect to terminate all contracts.

A large factor in the changes was the work of the City Contracts Committee, representing the building construction industry.

The termination clause reads in part:

"Par. 1. If, by reason of a national emergency or by reason of orders, regulations or directions of governmental authority resulting from such emergency, the Contractor is unable to obtain sufficient equipment, materials or supplies, or a sufficient supply of labor to enable him to properly progress the Work to timely completion, he may give written notice to the Superintendent (of schools) . . .

"Par. 3. If the Superintendent, after due investigation, shall determine that the Contractor, for any of the said reasons, is unable to properly progress the Work to timely completion, he shall so recommend to the Board of Education. Upon approval of this recommendation . . . and upon receipt by the Contractor of written notice from the secretary of the board's determination, the Contractor may elect to terminate the contract by giving the secretary written notice . . .

"Par. 4c. All special equipment machinery, materials and supplies on hand and usable only for the purpose of incorporation in the Work, and all materials specially fabricated for the Work and conforming to specifications . . . shall . . . be bought by the board at prices actually paid therefore . . . including any sales taxes and freight and delivery charges . . ."

## Money costs rising fast for public borrowers

Public works officials seeking to raise funds via bond issues last week were made aware of a significant change in the bond market:

In a little more than two months time, the market for tax-exempt bonds has recovered most of the yield lost following the advent of war in Korea and rising income taxes. The yield rates on these bonds have risen from a low point of 1.61% in February, 1951, to 2.09% reported last week by Standard & Poors. (It is interesting to note that the 2.09% figure is the same as in July, 1950, when the yield began to drop.)

Unsettled conditions in the bond market cloud the picture, but it appears that certain factors will bring a continuing rise in money costs: Large inventories of bonds in the hands of dealers; a cautious, low-volume market for municipal bonds, and a general rise in bond yields.

The rise in U. S. government bond yields, now that Federal Reserve Board-Treasury agreements have "unpegged" the market in this item, is a significant factor. FRB, which had been supporting U. S. bonds now has pulled itself partially out of the market, allowing yields to rise.

Result of this action has been a "wait and see" attitude on the part of large institutional bond buyers.

## NPA regroups to handle complicated CMP program

With the advent of the Controlled Materials Plan (ENR Apr. 19, p. 23) the National Production Authority has regrouped its organization to handle details of the program.

Result: The business divisions have been grouped into four bureaus —metals and minerals; chemical, rubber and forest products; textiles leather and specialty equipment, and industrial and agricultural equipment.

## Business briefs . . .

• **Approve new bonds**—Voters of Columbus and Franklin counties, Ohio, have approved bond issues totalling $23,238,000 for expressways, schools and airport improvements, which, with federal aid, will mean $39,000,000 in construction work, officials said. Biggest share of the four issues approved—$11,500,000—will go for school construction.

• **Close bidding**—Military and public works projects in Alaska and eastern Washington state drew surprisingly low and close bidding. The Corps of Engineers got four bids on a housing project at Ladd and Eielson Air Force bases—and all four were under the $5,438,963 estimate, with low bid (from J. H. Pomeroy & Co., Inc., San Francisco) of $4,793,966. The Washington State Highway Department got a low bid (from Manson Engineering Co., Seattle) of $321,042 for a bridge job near Port Townsend. Next bid was only $203 higher.

• **Roofing shipments down**—Shipments of nearly all types of asphalt and tar roofing products declined moderately from January to February, said the Department of Commerce. Asphalt roofing went down 17%, to 4,354,384 squares; asphalt siding dropped 16%, to 170,060 squares; saturated felts dropped 15%, to 61,158 tons.

• **European cement**—Western Europe, said the European Cooperation Administration, can help out the current U. S. cement shortage. ECA made a survey, determined that Belgium, Denmark, Italy, western Germany, Norway and Sweden could ship as much as 20,000 metric tons a month to the U. S.

• **Copper order due**—A forthcoming NPA order—revealed to industry representatives last week—will limit the use of copper in plumbing fixtures by permitting manufacture of repair parts only at the rate in the first six months of 1950. Only exceptions would be fixtures for chemical plants, laboratories, hospitals where no substitute is available.

• **Metal construction**—Plans for expansion in the metal and mineral industry will call for some huge construction programs. The Defense Minerals Administration told a Congressional committee that between $65 and $98,000,000 would be spent for a Cooper Range Co. plant near White Pine, Michigan.

• **Lumber shipments drop**—Lumber shipments from 449 mills were 7.9% above production; new orders were 6.2% above production for the week ending April 7, according to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association. These figures represent a drop in both categories under the week ending March 31.

## BIDS AND BIDDERS

(Major project news received after Construction Reports, page 76, went to press.)

**Housing**—Boston Housing Authority, Boston, plans housing project to cost $7,250,000 in Boston. Plans will be made by Arland A. Dirlan, Boston architect. Plans are also underway for a $10,250,000 housing project in Roxbury, with plans by Thomas F. McDonough, Boston.

**Paper mill**—C. C. Mengel Co., Louisville, Ky., plans a $10,000,000 paper mill in Jessup, Ga.

**Cellulose factory**—Eloy S. Ballina & Associated, Chihuahua City, Mexico, plans $17,350,000 cellulose factory in Chihuahua.

**Apartments**—Ester Ellman c/o Joseph Schafran, architect, New York, N. Y. will construct an apartment in Hollis, N. Y. by separate contracts estimated cost is $5,390,000.

**Gates and appurtenances**—Willamette Iron & Steel Co., Portland, Ore., was low bidder at $4,570,460 for furnishing and installing intake gates and appurtenances for McNary Dam, Oregon, when the U. S. Engineers, Walla Walla, Wash., opened bids April 17.

**Schools**—Arlington Public Schools, Arlington County, voted $4,875,000 for school construction. Work will include a junior high school for which Rhees Burkett, Washington, D. C. is preparing plans, and several elementary school additions, with plans underway by McLeod & Ferrara, Washington, D. C.

**Apartment** – Briarwood Apartments, Briarwood, N. Y. will construct a garden apartment in Briarwood, N. Y., by own forces. Cost will be about $4,000,000. Joseph Schafran, New York, N. Y. is architect.

**Quarters**—Patti MacDonald Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo., was low bidder at $2,709,400 when bids were opened April 17, by the U. S. Engineers, Seattle, Wash., for quarters at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

**Shopping center**—Owner c/o Nathaniel Hanlen, Norton, plans shopping center in East Arlington, Mass. Estimated cost is $2,500,000. Sumner Schein, Boston, is architect.

**Hospital**—St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., plans addition to St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco. Cost will be about $2,300,000. Sidmore, Owings & Merrill, San Francisco, are architects.

**Hospital** – Permanente Foundation, San Francisco, Calif., plans are being prepared by Wulff & Phillips, Portland, Ore., for a hospital in San Francisco, Calif., to cost $2,300,000.

**Hospital**—Herman & Kiefer Hospital, Detroit, Mich., plans a brick and steel tuberculosis hospital addition to cost $2,000,000.

**Apartment**—200 East End Ave. Corp. of Great Neck, N. Y., will construct a 16 story apartment at East End Ave. from 89 to 90th Streets, New York, N. Y., by separate contracts. Estimated cost is $2,112,000.

**Hospital**—General Hospital of Los Angeles, Calif., plans an 8-story communicable diseases unit to cost $3,500,000. Williams & Wilson of Los Angeles, Calif., are the architects.

**Housing** – Providence Housing Authority, Providence, R. I., plans a 632 family low income housing project in Providence to cost an estimated $6,000,000. Creer, Kent, Mather, Cruise & Aldrich of Providence are architects.

**Factory** – Shellmar Products Corp., Mount Vernon, Ohio, plans to enlarge its factory facilities at Mount Vernon. Estimated cost is $2,000,000.

**Housing**—Woner, Hlosser Building Co. of Topeka, Kan., will build a $2,000,000 co-operative type housing project in Topeka.

**Warehouse** – Montgovery Construction Co. of Grove City, Pa., was awarded the contract for 3 warehouses in Warren, Ohio. Bids were opened March 27 by the U. S. Govt., General Services Administration, in Washington. The Pennsylvania Co. bid was $1,895,000.

**Housing**—Pittsburgh Housing Authority, Pittsburgh, Pa., plans a housing project for Pittsburgh to cost $5,000,000. Architects are Marks, Fisher & Simboli of Pittsburgh.

**Plant**—Stone & Webster Engineering Corp. of Boston, Mass., were awarded the contract for a steam electric plant to cost an estimated $1,700,000. The plant will be built in Norfolk, Va., for the Virginia Electric & Power Co. of Richmond, Va.

**Bridge**—J. B. Clardy Construction Co., Fort Worth, Texas, was low bidder at $1,125,936 when bids were opened April 16, by Dallas County at Dallas, Tex., for a steel concrete bridge.

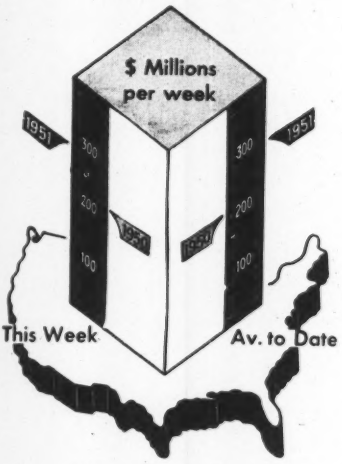
## COSTS AND VOLUME

**ENR INDEX NUMBERS**

| Index Base = 100 | | 1913 | 1926 | 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Constr. Cost. | Apr. '51 | 538.69 | 258.95 | 112.93 |
| Bldg. Cost | Apr. '51 | 398.78 | 215.57 | 113.36 |
| Volume | Mar. '51 | 558 | 227 | 161 |

**Activity This Week**

As reported to ENR (in millions of dollars)




**Amount of contracts let**

| Week of Apr. 26 '51 | | Cumulative 17 wks. 1951 | 1950 | % chge |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal | $93.6 | $763.3 | $470.9 | +62 |
| State & Mun. | 62.1 | 1,176.5 | 995.9 | +18 |
| Total Public | $155.7 | $1,939.8 | $1,466.8 | +32 |
| Total Private | 129.0 | 3,058.0 | 2,013.4 | +52 |
| U. S. Total | $281.7 | $4,997.8 | $3,480.2 | +44 |

**Contracts by type of work**

| | This Week | Cumulative 17 wks. 1951 | 1950 | % chge |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Waterworks | $1.9 | $79.5 | $83.6 | −5 |
| Sewerage | 7.0 | 105.1 | 74.5 | +41 |
| Bridges | 3.6 | 90.1 | 105.8 | −15 |
| Highways | 25.2 | 314.3 | 337.4 | −7 |
| Earthwork, Waterways | 81.3 | 205.8 | 128.7 | +60 |
| Buildings: | | | | |
| Public | 28.9 | 800.9 | 552.9 | +45 |
| Housg., pub. | 1.2 | 183.6 | 67.8 | +171 |
| Housg., priv. | 49.2 | 648.2 | 1,169.7 | −45 |
| Commercial | 6.5 | 218.8 | 323.6 | −32 |
| Industrial | 65.7 | 1,819.4 | 354.6 | +413 |
| Unclassified | 14.2 | 532.1 | 281.6 | +89 |

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterway projects, $1,000; other public works, $60,000; industrial buildings, $82,000; other buildings, $500,000.

**New capital for construction**

| | Cumulative 17 wks. 1951 | 1950 | % chge |
|---|---|---|---|
| Corporate Securities | $669.8 | $595.2 | +13 |
| Fed. loans, Priv. Constr. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| State and Mun.: | | | |
| Excl. housing | 699.4 | 612.8 | +14 |
| Housing | 267.0 | 198.8 | +34 |
| Fed. Aid, non-fed. constr. | 73.4 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Non-Federal | $1,709.6 | $1,406.8 | +22 |
| FEDERAL | 2,602.5 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Capital | $4,312.1 | $1,406.8 | +207 |

## Anti-pollution programs get continued support

**Pennsylvania's Schuylkill River silt-removal nearly completed; Wisconsin and Illinois order more projects**

Pennsylvania's Forests and Waters Secretary, M. F. Draemel, announces that the multi-million-dollar job of cleaning up the Schuylkill River between Kernsville and Norristown (ENR Mar. 10, 1949, p. 21) is 97% complete.

The operation, which included the removal of 16,438,000 cu yd of silt from the stream, has cost the state $27,533,277 to date.

Gov. John S. Fine has asked the 1951 legislature to appropriate $1,165,000 to complete the project.

In addition, the federal government is committed to clean up the silt-choked portion of the Schuylkill between Norristown and Philadelphia.

• **Wisconsin River order**—In a statewide campaign to clear its streams, Wisconsin's state committee on stream pollution ordered the cleanup of the upper Wisconsin River.

May 31, 1952, is the date set for submission of plans for the treatment of sulphite liquors and installation of fiber-recovery equipment by paper plants located in the area. Construction must be completed one year later.

• **Illinois sewage plans**—Permits for the construction of nine new sewage projects were issued recently by the sanitary water board of Illinois.

Work involving sewage treatment plants and water and sewer system improvements will be done at Joliet, Grayslake, Tinley Park State Hospital, Elburn, East Dubuque, Rochelle, Ottawa, Sparta and East Dundee.

## Water district expands to aid lowering supply

Voters in Orange County, Calif., have approved formation of an Orange County Municipal Water District which will seek to join the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

The Municipal Water District will include territory of the Orange County Water District, as well as some fringe areas. Included are six unincorporated cities, among them Orange and Huntington Beach.

The move for annexation—which may come some time next fall—comes as a USGS report shows the saline front now has reached 5 miles inland from the coast in Orange County—2½ miles farther than in 1941. The saline area now has polluted municipal and private wells in an area estimated at from 3,300 to 4,000 acres.

Since 1949 the Orange County Water District has been purchasing water from the Metropolitan system. In the past two years it has purchased some 30,000 acre-ft of water, but still finds on latest estimate that its subterranean basin is overdrawn by 300,000 acre-ft, with the water level lowering steadily.

Proposals are now before the county district to buy an additional 25,000 acre-ft to be delivered into the Santa Ana River 20 miles upstream from the Orange County line where the Metropolitan Aqueduct, carrying Colorado River water, crosses the Santa Ana. Water released will flow downstream to a sinking area some 5 miles long.

W. D. Miller, secretary of the Orange County Water District, points to the 60-year rainfall average and to the county's population growth as reasons for the subterranean overdraft.

## A. E. Berry is new president of Amer. Water Works Assn.

Down in Miami, Fla., Albert E. Berry will become AWWA's president for 1951-52, succeeding W. Victor Weir. He is director of the sanitary engineering division, Department of Health of Ontario—and has been since 1926.

Active in AWWA since 1920, Mr. Berry was its Canadian director, 1937-40, and served as vice-president during the past year. He is also a past-president of the Federation of Sewage and Industrial Wastes Associations, 1944-45. His Ph.D. in sanitary engineering was earned at the University of Toronto in 1926.

Charles H. Capen, chief engineer, North Jersey District Water Supply Commission, is to be AWWA's new vice-president. William W. Brush, editor of "Water Works Engineering" will retain his previous office of treasurer.

These officers-elect will take office at the close of the 71st Annual Conference in Miami next week.

## D. C. and N. C. authorize slum clearance projects

The inauguration of planning work on three new Washington, D. C., slum clearance projects coincides with a North Carolina legislative enactment authorizing cities of over 25,000 population to create redevelopment commissions for the clearing of slum areas.

In the Capital, the District Redevelopment Land Agency has announced that three projects are to be selected from so-called "problem areas." There would be one each in northwest, southwest and southeast Washington.

After area boundaries are set, and agreed upon by the District Commissioners, redevelopment plans will be drafted for consideration at a public hearing.

In North Carolina federal funds are to be employed for clearance purposes.

# Bill would cut amortizing advantage

One result of the promised close scrutiny of Defense Act provisions for rapid amortization on new construction (ENR Apr. 19, p. 27) was contained in a bill in the House of Representatives last week.

Introduced by Rep. Eberharter (D., Pa.), the new measure would forbid the inclusion of fast amortization in calculation of costs when contracts are renegotiated.

Under the existing law, companies that receive "certificates of necessity" authorizing them to write off the costs of new plants and facilities in five years (for tax purposes), can also use the accelerated amortization as a cost in figuring up their expenses for renegotiation.

This provision swells calculated expenses. If they could use only normal depreciation as a cost item, their operating costs would be held down and more profits would be subject to recapture under renegotiation.

• **Normal depreciation for renegotiation**—Eberharter's bill would require the use of normal long-term depreciation as an operating cost for renegotiation. The bill takes the form of an amendment to existing law.

Observers commented that during World War II accelerated amortization was allowed as a cost in renegotiation. "But," said Eberharter, "it is my view that the subsidies defense producers are getting under existing tax laws are enough to get them to do the job. If the same write-off is allowed as a cost before recapture of excessive profits . . . the subsidy will in effect be doubled and redoubled."

# East has big bridge, road plans

Linking of the New Jersey and Pennsylvania Turnpikes by a bridge across the Delaware River near Bordentown, N. J., is in prospect. The estimated cost, including approach routes, is put at $100 million. Pennsylvania would pay $84 million and New Jersey $16 million of the cost in one of the major bridge and road plans under discussion in eastern states last week.

Plans were worked out at a conference among state representatives.

The proposed bridge is estimated to cost $12 million, with the cost being split 50:50 between New Jersey and Pennsylvania. New Jersey would have to spend an additional $10 million to construct a spur road from its turnpike to the bridge.

Pennsylvania would have to spend an estimated $78 million to extend its turnpike from the present terminus at King of Prussia to the bridge—a distance of 30 miles.

• **Cross-Ohio freeway**—Plans were launched last week for a $300-million Cleveland-Columbus-Cincinnati freeway by the Ohio State Highway Department. This artery will connect directly with the heart of these major cities in its diagonal course across the state.

The Cleveland-Columbus section is to receive attention first. No difficulties on priorities are foreseen by the state's highway planning and programming engineer, Norman M. Wilke. He said, "This is to be part of the National System of Interstate Highways . . . . and is part of the strategic network."

Surveys are being initiated to produce the engineering report that will determine a half-mile-wide band where right of way will be laid out.

• **Novel turnpike idea**—Ohio highway engineers were presented with a plan to construct the state's new east-west turnpike so that westbound traffic would flow over the southerly lanes and eastbound vehicles would move over the northerly lanes of the divided roadway—reversing the traffic flow that is now used universally throughout the nation.

The proposal was made at the Ohio Highway Engineering Conference at the Ohio State Museum recently, by Hershel H. Allen, of the J. E. Greiner Co., Baltimore. His firm served as consulting engineer for the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and is now employed to prepare plans for the Ohio toll road.

Inside travel lanes would be separated by a 40-ft median divider, each with a 10-ft shoulder on the inside—providing a separation distance between opposing traffic of 60 ft.

## Large plans for private industrial construction

Two major projects for new construction announced by private industry last week were plans of the General Electric Co. and the Long Island Lighting Co. (of New York).

Long Island Lighting will spend $35 million for a new steam-electric generating station adjacent to an existing station on Hempstead Harbor, on Long Island's North Shore. Announcement of construction plans followed clearing of title to a four-acre site purchased by the company from the State of New York some years ago.

The property—largely under water—was in question because the state's title had become confused with that of the Town of Hempstead. Town officials approved a clear title.

General Electric—which has already spent $425 million on new plant and facilities over the past five years—told its stockholders at the annual meeting that it would spend another $350 million under a new four-year expansion program. G.E. officials reported that the company's $30 million turbine manufacturing facilities, for example, are already inadequate.

# Ala., N. C. establish road policies

The two southern states of Alabama and North Carolina have taken steps to meet the need of ever-increasing demands upon their highway systems—particularly with a view toward adequate financing.

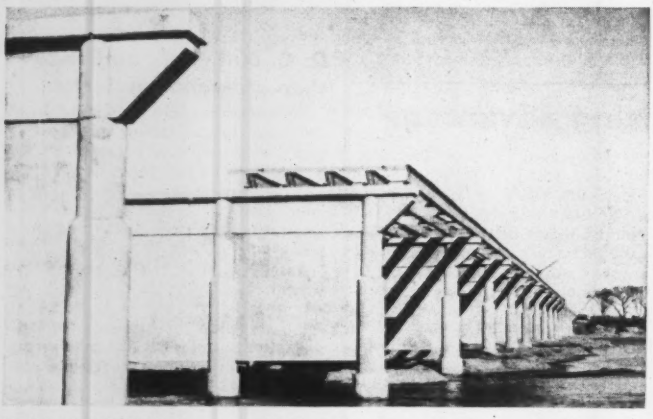
Alabama's highway director, W. G. Pruett, has adopted a policy of paving only those roadways which feed into the main highway system. It has been charged that in previous years large sums were spent in paving areas which did not connect with the highway system.

In addition, Pruett created a procurement and salvage board to examine any expenditure over $1,000.

The North Carolina Legislature has enacted a law providing for the establishment of a state turnpike authority, with power to issue revenue bonds and to construct toll roads and bridges across the state which would connect with turnpikes of other states.

Private investors would be brought into the picture to finance the construction without involving the credit of the state. When free of debts, the roads and bridges would be turned over to the state.

The legislature also voted to leave with the state's highway commission the matter of setting weight and speed limits for highways. Decisions were to be made from an engineering viewpoint for the sections in question. Particular emphasis here was placed upon proper care of the rural roads, built as "farm to market" highways under a $200-million bond issue.



**STEEL ADVANCES—Contractor M. E. Gillioz is laying steel across the 23 concrete piers of Oklahoma's $1,135,898 bridge across the Arkansas River at Tulsa for Highway 66. Each pier consists of three columns supported on individual footings—supporting a cross beam which makes the bridge seat and web. There is a solid web between columns, separated from the beam web by one-inch expansion material to permit independent action. Maximum height of pier from bottom of footing to bridge seat is 56 ft, 5 in.; width of pier seat is 63 ft.**

## McNary group wins contract for final phase on dam

The contract for the third and final phase of construction on McNary Dam, on the Columbia River in Oregon (ENR June 29, 1950, p. 29), was awarded to McNary Dam Contractors, the present operating contractors on the project.

A low bid of $58,416,490 did the trick. This compares to an engineering estimate of $55,058,360 for the job, but was well within the 25% limitation imposed by Corps of Engineers procedure.

McNary Dam Contractors is a joint venture composed of: Guy F. Atkinson Co., Portland; Ostrander Construction Co., Portland, and J. A. Jones Construction Co., Charlotte, N. C. This combination had the two previous major contracts.

The only other bid submitted—for $61,972,032—was given by Columbia Contractors, of Boise, Idaho—a group of 10 construction firms, including: Morrison-Knudsen, of Boise; Henry J. Kaiser, Oakland, Calif.; Peter Kiewit Sons Const. Co., Omaha; Kaiser Industries, Inc., Oakland; Brown & Root Inc., Houston; General Construction Co., Seattle; The Shea Company, Alhambra, Calif.; Walsh Construction Co., San Francisco; Macco Corp., Paramount, Calif., and the Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging Co., Seattle.

The contract calls for construction of the remaining portion of the spillway, powerhouse, abutments and appurtenant structures; also calls for about 100 million cu yd of fill.

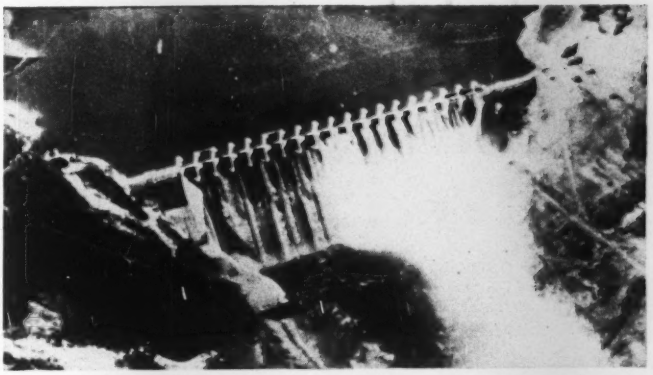
## One tunnel makes record, another delayed by fire

Workers of the Utah Construction Co., driving the 7,000-ft, $2,500,000 haulage tunnel at Kennecott Copper Co.'s Bingham Canyon mine in Utah, may have set a world's record for footage in a hard-rock railroad tunnel.

According to work superintendent Paul Guinn, the steel-supported tunnel was advanced 805-ft in 27 days, as of April 8.

The tunnel is being driven from the Kennecott ore haulage railroad mainline in Bingham Canyon to a point 50 ft below the present floor of the open pit mine. The bore is standard railroad size, measuring 21 ft wide and 25 ft high. It will give access to the 5,840-ft mine level, whereas haulage at present is handled through a tunnel at the 6,040-ft level.

The new bore will be four mine levels below the current mine floor when placed in operation at the scheduled completion time in mid-1852.



**GOAL FOR THE ALLIES—United Nations troops on Korea's central front have been battling against fierce Communist resistance in their drive toward the Hwachon Reservoir. This air view looks down upon the spillway and dam, third largest in Korea and one of the principal pre-war sources of hydroelectric power for Seoul and other parts of South Korea. Reds recently opened the dam's flood gates in an unsuccessful attempt to stop the Allied drive which triumphed last week. (Wide World photo)**

# Claim Mo. flow OK for Pick-Sloan plan

There will be enough regulated water in the Missouri River when the Pick-Sloan program is completed to effect all (ENR, May 16, '46, v. p. 766) intended purposes. This was the report made last week for the Missouri Basin Inter-Agency Committee to the often expressed doubt that the river's flow will support comprehensive basin-wide development.

A subcommittee submitted a detailed report to the Inter-Agency group in session at Yankton, S. D. Conclusions of the report are based on a six-month study of hydrology statistics recorded over the past 52 years.

Findings include these:

Average annual flow in the Missouri at Sioux City, Iowa, is 24,552,000 acre-ft; average annual water requirements of the comprehensive plan, as it affects flows at this point, would range from 16,530,000 acre-ft in 1960 to 22,746,000 acre-ft in the year 2000.

Average annual flow in the lower Missouri River is estimated in the report to be 41,000,000 acre-ft at Kansas City and 59,000,000 acre-ft at Hermann, Mo.—some 90 miles upstream from the mouth.

• **Tolerable shortages maybe**—The subcommittee reported that another severe drought like that of the 1930's might mean irrigation shortages on some tributaries and some shortening of navigable channels. But, in the opinion of the subcommittee, such a drought (it happened only once in the past 75 years) will not interrupt all the basic purposes of the program, and shortages will have to be tolerated.

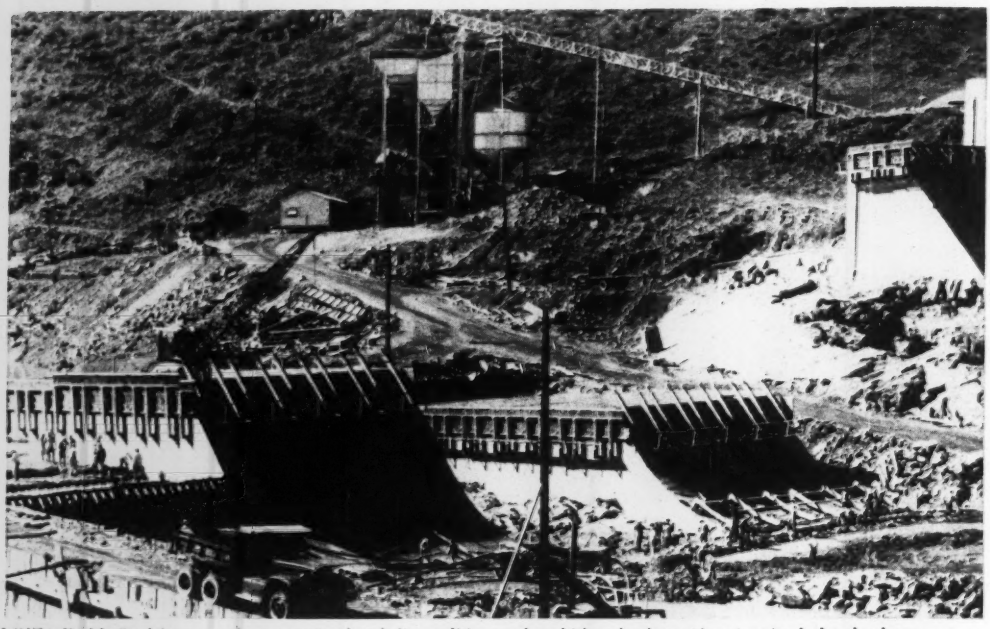
On the main stream, Sioux City was taken as control point for studies since below that point flow increases faster than demand, according to earlier research. The report recognizes the importance of keeping flow above the minimum necessary for industrial use and stream sanitation.

In figuring demand on the river's flow up to the year 2000, the subcommittee was guided by estimates from all agencies concerned. Participants in the studies included representatives of the Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of Agriculture, Geological Survey, Public Health Service, Federal Power Commission, Weather Bureau, the lower basin states and the upper basin states. Wendell E. Johnson of the Corps of Engineers was chairman of the subcommittee.

• **Delay by fire**—Work on Pacific Gas & Electric Co.'s tunnel at the Bear River Dam project was delayed for 10 days this month by a $100,000 fire.

The machine and electric shops of the Walsh Construction Co. on the site were destroyed in a fire believed to have been caused by an exploded acetylene tank.

Work on the tunnel has been resumed and a rock quarry started to provide material for the 230-ft high rock-fill dam. Design of the $11,000,000 dam follows closely the PG&E Salt Springs Dam built in 1931 and said to be the largest rock fill dam in existence (ENR Jan. 16, 1930, p. 92). PG&E has been a leader in rock-fill dam design.



LOIZA DAM—Steel forms, modern concrete plant belie conditions under which early phases of engineering had to be done.

### What's backward-area engineering like?

# Building waterworks in Puerto Rico

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Assistant Editor

ENGINEERING in underdeveloped areas means starting from scratch. It means doing lots of groundwork—some guesswork. There are slim files of past records, if any, on which to base planning, little earlier experience by which to profit. Design criteria must be set, standards established.

Such has been the experience of Buck, Seifert & Jost, New York consulting firm, in its work to supply Puerto Rico with water. As consultant to the insular government's Aqueduct and Sewer Authority, the firm is responsible for making order out of disorder—helping the authority decide how best to develop water supplies to satisfy the fast growing needs of a soaring population and a stimulated industrialization (ENR Feb. 15, p 32).

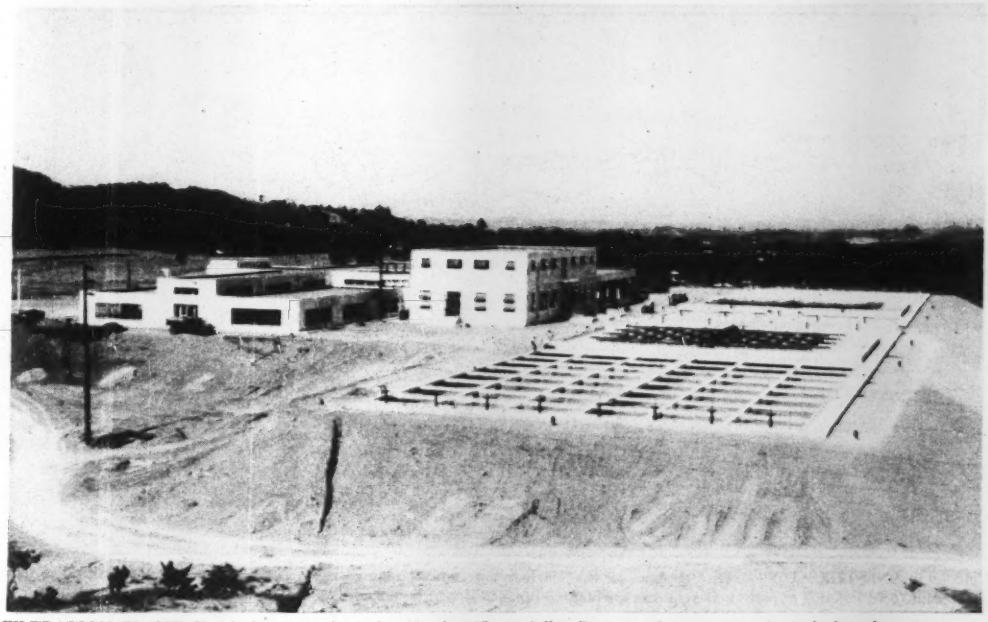
The Aqueduct and Sewer Authority was set up on the island in 1945—to bring together for the first time some 71 separate water systems that were functioning in various degrees of inefficiency (only six gave 24-hr service) and to concentrate efforts for new water resources and treatment. It engaged the consultant, and, taking first things first, went to work on essential improvements in existing systems and a new supply for San Juan.

• **Unknowns are many**—It was estimated that in 1945 less than 65% of 479,600 persons in the area to be served were connected to the existing system. So, in addition to the difficult task of projecting a population curve in a land with a changing economy, an educated guess had to be made as to effect of economic uplift on that part of the population served in homes and on sanitation facilities.

Population of the capital city (San Juan) and its rural environs within the service area was estimated to total 801,000 by 1960, 1,060,000 by 1970, and 1,175,000 by 1980. Best guess was that there would be service in 80% of the area's homes by 1980. Per capita consumption was complex to predict. While commerce and industry should expand appreciably in the next thirty years, their growth will be overshadowed by a far steeper ascent in population served, causing per capita consumption to fall off from the present 114.5 gal to 99.0, 91.0 and 89.5 gal per day in the next three decades ending with 1980—more people, but less proportionate industrial consumption.

When early studies were started, the existing sources of water for the metropolitan district were surface supplies in Guaynabo and Rio Piedras, plus wells about to be abandoned because of increasing salinity. Dependable yield of the supplies was some 21 mgd, which could be increased 6 mgd by costly emergency pumping. Total needs were forecast as 38 mgd for 1950, 53 for 1960, 70 for 1970, and 84 mgd for 1980. A new source had to be developed to make up the difference between these demands and the present supply.

• **Records are few**—Armed with these many estimates (and few facts) on demand, the consultants next considered supply. Comparative merits of two sources were weighed, and Rio Grande de Loiza was chosen over El Yunque, as being a more bountiful source



**FILTRATION PLANT—Finished waterworks is functional, without frills. Design and treatment criteria had to be set.**

closer to the consumer and capable of purification.

Stream flow records for the Loiza River were non-existent. A site for damming the stream was chosen, and elevation of the dam's crest had to be set, based conservatively on a most unlikely design-flood figure nearly three times the greatest flood of recollection. A flow that reached near 125,000 cfs for about half an hour on Aug. 4, 1945, caused the highest stage within memory at the damsite; the design flood was taken as 300,000 cfs, based on transportation and adjustment of data on a record hurricane in a watershed of comparable size (Thrall, Tex.—1921).

Minimum flow, recorded in 1948, was 48 cfs (29 mgd). Regulated flow—from a 20,000-acre-ft reservoir—was figured to boost the minimum up to 160 cfs. (Five years of flow records, including a severe drought period, indicate this figure is conservative. Runoff of 480 cfs was taken as average, now appears low.)

• **Quality studies needed**—Just as with its quantity, quality of the water was a factor to be determined—not from a reference work, but from field work, using a mobile laboratory.

The 205-sq mi watershed receives about 76 in. of rain annually and feeds the Loiza River a water normally of low color, moderate turbidity and medium chemical nature—uncorrosive to metal pipe.

The stream is somewhat turbulent—and more so during floods—so an estimate had to be made of the silt load it might carry and deposit in a reservoir. This sediment volume was estimated at 300 acre-ft per year, of which 90% would probably be trapped in the reservoir. Watershed terrain is mountainous; 40% is under cultivation, 55% in pasture and 4% in forest; only about 1 sq mi is now in urban development.

Caguas, largest of the upstream cities, has a sanitary sewer system—a treatment plant comprising grit chamber, Imhoff tanks, filters and sludge-drying beds. The plant is overloaded, and the effluent is of poor quality.

Two sugar mills up in the watershed contribute organic matter many times that contained in the sewage from the cities in the basin. Although not as objectionable from the bacteriological standpoint as sewage, these wastes require a large volume of oxygen for their stabilization. Sugar grinding season coincides with a period of low runoff—making a critical situation. (A pilot plant has been operated over two grinding seasons to test various treatment methods.)

• **Standards set**—With the Loiza chosen, its quantity and quality determined, the consultant had next to decide what standards the finished product (tap water) should meet. This was an underdeveloped area. Should sights be lowered somewhat, requirements relaxed, standards less stringent?

In other underdeveloped areas, perhaps; in Puerto Rico, no. The Puerto Ricans gave the answer. They are Americans; they want American standards, nothing less.

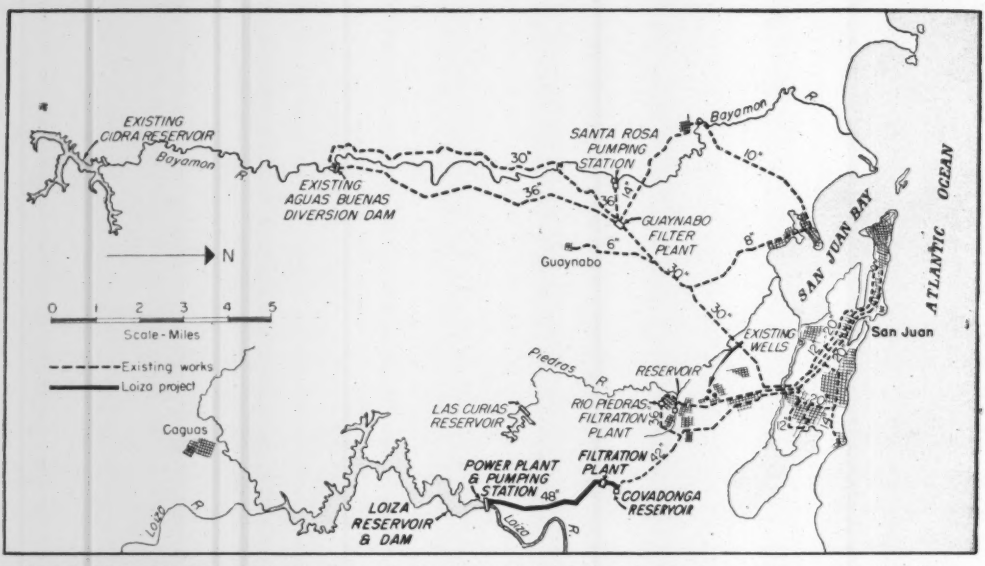
So it was. All the consultant's latest design criteria for stateside jobs were incorporated—nothing less.

Steps are to be taken to clean up the Loiza River, correct pollution upstream with full treatment. Urban sewage will be treated; sugar mill wastes will be reduced in organic content.

• **Rest is easy**—The groundwork was done; the rest was easy—comparatively. All the major unknowns that go with engineering abroad had been solved, and remaining problems needed only slight tailoring of up-to-date designs to fit the situation, adapting of modern construction methods to suit economics of cheap labor, costly equipment.

Once demand had been established, treatment needs analyzed, standards set, the consultant had a job comparable to any other he might be doing stateside.

To meet 1980 demands a 60-mgd (ultimate) filtration plant was designed; half of it (30 mgd) to fill




**THE OLD AND THE NEW**—Existing supplies for the San Juan area totaled 21 mgd when the new source was sought. The new Loiza plant (bold lettering at bottom of map) can now treat 30 mgd and will be enlarged to handle 60 mgd as future needs demand.

needs through 1965 has been built. Inaugurated last fall, the $2,000,000 Loiza Filtration Plant has the aerators, flocculators, settling tanks, mixing basin, rapid-sand filters, chlorination and storage necessary to deliver a clear, odorless, palatable water. Rexach & Rivera Construction Co., San Juan, was general contractor on the plant.

Delivery of water to the plant is through 3½ miles of 48-in. reinforced concrete pressure pipe laid from the Loiza River by Frederick Snare Corp., New York.

At the bank of the river a temporary pump installation is supplying water to the treatment works, through the delivery line, while just downstream construction activity mounts on the dam that is to impound supplies.

• **Supervising construction** – Loiza Dam is being done under contract by Sollitt Overseas Construction Co., Chicago. (The Aqueduct and Sewer Authority plans to do many of its lesser jobs by force account.) The authority's consultant has responsibility for construction and provides supervisory personnel.

The damsite is nine miles south of San Juan at a point 17 miles upstream from where the northeast-flowing Loiza reaches the Atlantic. Core borings showed rock at the site to be solid andesitic tuff, a hard, black igneous material resembling trap rock, under a shallow covering of soil and decomposed rock averaging less than 20 ft in thickness. No faults; some weathering were in evidence. Grouting will be done, but the rock isn't expected to take much.

The dam is being built from the left bank while the river is diverted toward the right by a rock and timber cofferdam. It will be a taintergated structure with 50-ft high crest topped by gates 30 ft high, 39 ft wide. Eight such gates will stretch across the full 312-ft spillway length of the structure. Its total length will be 700 ft.

Individual hoists will operate the tainter gates. A special gated sluiceway will carry debris over the dam.

• **Spare power**—There is an incidental power development. Electric power capacity required for pumping and treatment of 30 mgd is about 850 kw. Three units of 1,250-kva capacity will be installed for the ultimate 60-mgd capacity of the system. Permanent pumps will be electric-motor operated and located in the power plant.

Power output will be near 14,000,000 kwhr annually. Two-thirds of this will be surplus to be disposed of to the Puerto Rico Water Resources Authority, with whom a reciprocal arrangement will be made for buying and supplying power with seasonal variations in hydro production. The 38-kv transmission line to the filtration plant ties to the WRA system.

Operating expenses (less this anticipated power income) are estimated at $122,500 per year—based on the initial output of some 30 mgd. This figures to $16.78 per mg. (Present filtered supplies cost $30 per mgd.)

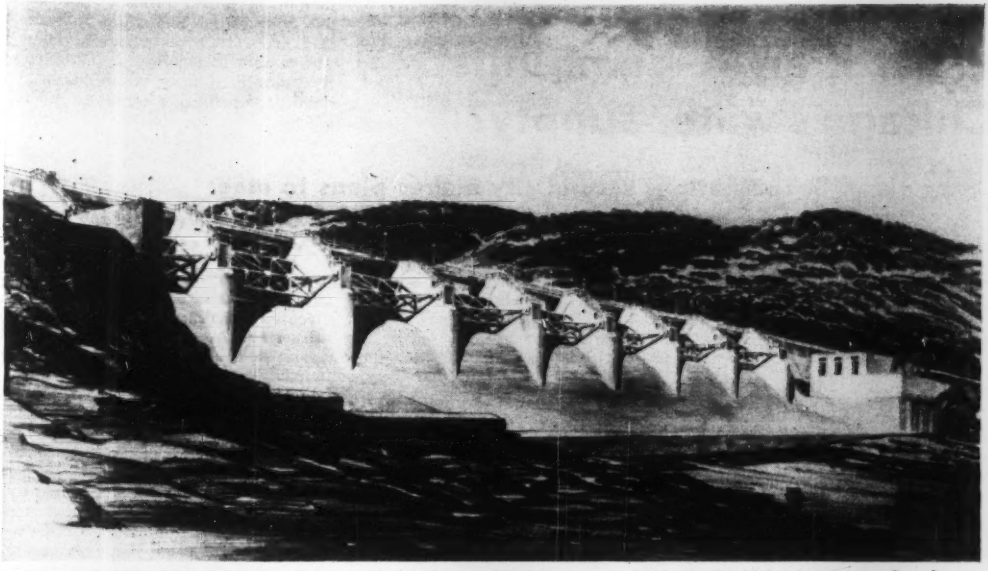
Cost of the entire project (dam, power house and pumping station, pipeline and 30 mgd purification plant) is estimated at $6,758,000—including $328,000 for rights-of-way and $47,000 for temporary pumping facilities, excluding the $400,000 cost of abating upstream pollution

• **Settling financing**—When the newborn Aqueduct and Sewer Authority came to the consultant in '45, it had little money; and its existing facilities were operating in the red. Overhauling of organizational set-up and procedures, development of a new island-wide rate schedule based on scientific principles but tailored to local conditions were necessary. A financing scheme—revenue bonds—was worked out. Then the authority had to sell it.

Determined and aggressive Sergio Cuevas, executive director of the authority, went to work on the investment bankers, came up with a $22,700,000 loan. This will cover wells, intakes, purification plants and pipelines throughout the island as well as present work on the Loiza project.

When the money is gone there will still be much work left to do. Water supplies rated first attention, but there is also an island-full of sewage works projects needing attention (only 24% of all urban buildings now hook up to sewers).

Buck, Seifert & Jost are confident that this work will be done, have greatest respect for the ability and the



**THE DAM WHEN COMPLETED will have a 50-ft high crest 700 ft long, topped by eight 30x39-ft tainter gates. Stored water will produce an estimated 14,000,000 kwhr annually in the power-pumping plant at far end. There'll be excess power to sell.**

will of the executives in the various governmental agencies and their determination to improve the lot of their people. Puerto Rico is considered a good safe place for investment. The insular government, its municipalities, authorities and agencies have never defaulted or been delinquent in payment of interest or principal on any obligations. This record goes back in history to Spanish crown rule. Cuevas most likely will get more money when it is needed.

In the meantime the consultant is studying the sanitation need—island wide—and planning to fill it.

All plans are made to fit the conditions of an underdeveloped land—to provide something where, in many cases, there is little or nothing. It's the work many U. S. consultants have already done abroad; that which many more will do as Point Four gets under way. The only real difference being perhaps: Puerto Rico comes closer to the ideal than other foreign areas might; it knows what it wants and is willing to cooperate to the fullest toward getting it.

James R. Cook is the consultant's project manager in Puerto Rico. He heads up a staff of about thirty men—about two-thirds of whom are now in the field on Loiza Dam under Barton Jones. Mortimer Gibbons is sanitary engineer in charge of operation of filtration plants. For the Adeduct and Sewer Authority, under Sergio Cuevas, Rafael Palmer is chief of engineering.

## LOIZA FILTRATION PLANT

### Steps in the Treatment Process

**Aeration:** Spray Type, 2 units, one on roof of each coagulating basin. Each has 68 nozzles rated at 165 gpm at 5 psi.

**Rapid mixing:** 2 reinforced concrete basins with propeller type mixing mechanisms, capacity 22,000 gpm each, detention period 10 sec at 60 mgd.

**Coagulation:** 4 reinforced concrete basins, each with one flocculating compartment and one settling compartment.

**Flocculation:** 4 units, paddle, across-the-flow type, variable speed motor drive in dry well, total detention period one hour at 30 mgd.

**Settling:** 4 compartments, total detention period 4.4 hr at 30 mgd.

**Filtration:** 12-hr rapid sand filters, with 18" of sand, 0.45 mm effective size, and 18" of gravel, graded 1/16" to 1½", on Wheeler false bottom. Fixed nozzle type surface wash. Capacity of each unit 2.62 mgd at 2 gal/sq ft/min.

**Chlorination:** Prechlorination—2 manual control, solution feed chlorinators, maximum capacity 2,000 lb per day each, arranged to feed to raw water line ahead of aerators. Post chlorination—2 manual control, solution feed chlorinators, maximum capacity 2,000 lb per day each and one similar machine, maximum capacity 40 lb per day, arranged to feed to plant effluent (filtered water).

**Chemical feed:** Alum—3 gravimetric type dry feed machines with solution pots, maximum capacity 4,500 lb per hour each. Hydrated lime—2 gravemetric type dry feed machines with solution pots, maximum capacity 2000 lb per hour each. Soda ash—One machine, similar to and interchangeable with hydrated lime machines. Activated carbon—2 volumetric type dry feed machines with solution pots, maximum capacity 100 lb per hour each.

**Wash water:** Reinforced concrete basin, capacity 500,000 gal, on hill near plant. Wash water pumps—Motor driven centrifugal pumps in duplicate, capacity 2,500 gpm each. Surface wash pumps—Motor driven centrifugal pumps in duplicate, capacity 2,500 gpm each.

**Distribution storage:** 10,000,000 gal located 0.25 mi from filter plant.

# What if an A-bomb hits Chicago's water supply?

## • The nations second city makes plans to meet the worst. There's a lesson in it for others.

WATER PLANT OPERATORS may well look to Chicago for some of the answers on how to decontaminate radioactive water, in case of an atomic bomb attack.

Research conducted at Chicago's South District Filtration Plant over the past several months has had two objectives: (1) To develop dependable and quick methods of determining the degree of radioactivity of the water and (2) to find practical and economical ways of removing the radioactive materials from large volumes of water under full plant operation.

While there are still a great number of fearful and as yet unanswerable questions regarding the safe treatment of radioactive water, Chicago and scientists in the United States have found the answers to a few. For instance, it is well known that coagulation, sedimentation and filtration will remove several forms of radioactivity.

Chicago's studies at the South District Filtration Plant are under supervision of John R. Baylis, chief filtration engineer, H. H. Gerstein, chief filtration chemist, and J. T. Cross, principal filtration chemist—all reporting to Public Works Commissioner O. E. Hewitt and City Engineer W. W. DeBerard.

What if an A-bomb hit?

• **Northside vulnerable**—Although the South District plant would protect the water supply of one-third of Chicago's 3,606,000 population, the remaining two-thirds on the west and north sides would face a famine of safe water. Even by pushing the capacity of the 12 pumping stations and the interconnected distribution systems to the limit, at least one half of the population would be without potable water.

About the only recourse northsiders would have would be to haul water from the south side, plus whatever amounts of uncontaminated water there would be in storage. To deal with such an emergency, the city has about 1,500 sprinkler tanks of 15,000 to 100,000-gallon capacities. Both Hewitt and DeBerard have urged the citizens to keep at least one week's supply of water stored in sealed containers in their homes.

Other sources of potable water, in case of an atomic bomb attack, would be house tanks in the larger buildings, elevated storage tanks owned by the several hundred laundries throughout the city, about 200 ground wells within the city limits that can pump 2,500,000 gallons per day, and suburban reservoirs. Over recent years the city has insisted that any suburb buying Chicago water provide reserve storage for at least a 24-hr supply. Of the 48 suburbs now purchasing Chicago water, 17 have underground and elevated storage totaling 59,000,000 gal.

• **Northside plant needed**—Although southsiders have some measure of confidence that their water supply would be protected by the 320-mgd South District Filtration Plant, northsiders have little prospects of receiving adequate supplies of safe water following an atomic explosion near their intake in Lake Michigan. Consequently they hope the city's long-planned 950-mgd Northside filtration plant—approved in January by the Army Engineers—will become a reality just as soon as materials and construction schedules will permit.

• **Applying AEC findings**—Reports of experimental work by the Atomic Energy Commission indicate that chemical precipitation of nuclear fission materials takes place best at a high pH, requiring lime and an iron compound. In this treatment, the lime is ordinary commercial quick, or slaked, lime. The iron compound is iron sulphate; a by-product of pickling liquor from steel rolling mills. Currently, Chicago is using lime and aluminum sulphate as a coagulation agent.

If Lake Michigan water were contaminated with nuclear fission materials it would be necessary to increase substantially the amount of lime. Aluminum sulphate does not form a good coagulation above pH of 8.0, whereas iron sulphate precipitates best at pH greater than 9.0. No revisions of the plant would be necessary since it was originally designed to use iron sulphate as a precipitate.

• **Radioactive lake mud**—Chief reason why coagulation, sedimentation and filtration would be such an important factor in treating radioactive water is this: If an A-bomb were set off under water in Lake Michigan near a water intake, it would stir up a lot of mud. This suspended and colloidal matter rising from the bottom of the lake would absorb much radioactivity.

Although most of the suspended matter would soon settle back to the bottom of the lake, waves caused by winds would stir it up in much greater amounts than at present. Conservative estimates place this turbidity at twice that which is now present in the water.

Raw water entering the lake intake cribs this winter has had a relatively high turbidity. The period of 106 days from Nov. 1, 1950 to last Feb. 14 contained 89 days in which the turbidity was greater than 10, the limit set by the U. S. Public Health Service for drinking water. During November the turbidity averaged 18. For December it averaged 22, with a maximum of 75 for two days.

The problem of radioactive water wouldn't pass quickly after an A-bomb attack. Soluble radioative substances would be dissipated by currents of water in the lake. But that attached to the sedimentation in the bottom of the lake would, from time to time, be picked up by wave action. If the concentration were high enough, this would be a constant threat to the health of the people consuming the water.

Two testing devices installed in the laboratory at the South District Filtration Plant show considerable promise in detecting radioactivity in the water.

• **Monitoring equipment**—One machine, manufactured by the Radiation Counter Laboratories, Inc., Chicago, makes a continual graph that indicates the presence of radioactivity in the water, such as beta and gamma rays. In operation, this monitoring equipment receives a constant flow sample from the main raw water line and subjects it to continuous contact with a Geiger-Muller counter.

The voltage pulses from the Geiger counter which enter an electronic cir-

cuit are indicated on an instrument panel of the circuit setting forth the voltage impulses per minute. As these pulsations are integrated over a time constant of 60 seconds, a voltage is built up across a condenser, proportional to the rate of arrival of the pulses. This voltage is then transmitted to a recording chart.

Normally, the recording chart needle indicates the "background" count, due to the ever present cosmic ray particles in the atmosphere. If radioactivity then enters the water, the needle will mount to a peak, indicating the intensity of the radioactivity of material present.

The machine may not, however, prove to be the final answer in detecting the amounts of nuclear fission materials resulting from an atomic blast. In fact, it could give a false sense of security unless further research proves it to be capable of detecting and measuring all fission materials resulting from an atomic explosion.

**• Precision counter**—The second machine, made by the Nuclear Measurement Corp., Indianapolis, Ind., determines the radiation of water by testing concentrated samples. This machine is quite accurate and can count extremely low energy rays with full efficiency.

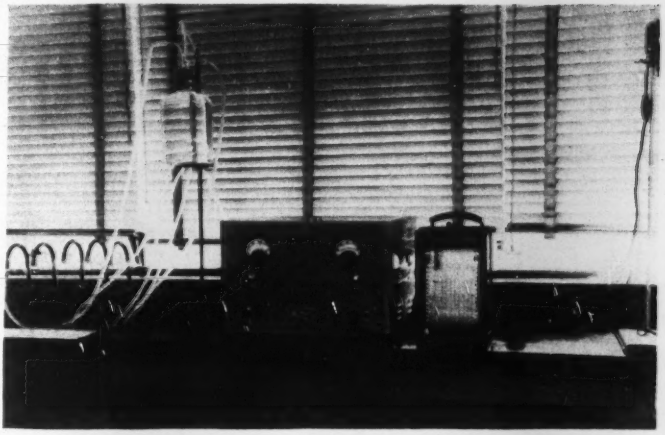
The machine, however, is not intended for monitoring usage due to the time interval of one-hour or more required to concentrate a water sample.

Small enough to be portable, this radiation counter has an automatic timer and a six-digit register. A solenoid valve automatically purges and controls the flow of argon gas through the chamber in order to sweep out the air that would interfere with the counts. All the operator has to do is record the data, exchange samples, reset the register and flush the chamber, and reset and start the timer.

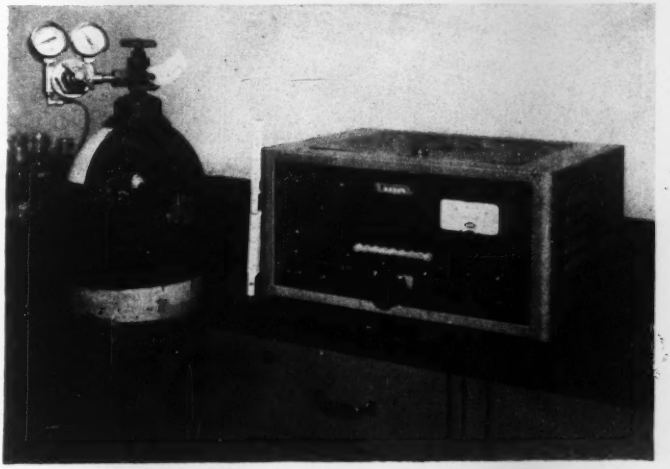
**• Fission samples needed**—Biggest handicap in current research at the South District Filtration Plant has been the inability to secure nuclear fission samples known to exist in atomic bombs. Negotiations are underway, however, and it is believed that such products will be available within several weeks.

So far, in Chicago they have been working only with radio-active iodine. Whether the monitoring equipment can safely detect the presence of other nuclear fission materials is yet to be determined. Also, there are unknown questions such as what constitutes a lethal dosage for the various materials, and what are safe tolerances for consumption over say, a 24-hr period, 30 days or indefinitely.

## Current research may disclose that:



**SAFE WATER SUPPLIES for U. S. cities can be monitored by a continuous recording radiation counter, while . . .**



**PRECISION INSTRUMENTS for counting beta and gamma rays may establish safe tolerances for nuclear fission materials in the water.**

**• Some big figures**—Estimates of the total gamma activities of the fission products of a nominal bomb, as given by the Atomic Energy Commission in a book published last September is $8.2 \times 10^5$ megacuries. This is 820,000 megacuries, or 820,000,000,000,000 curies. One curie equals $3.7 \times 10^{10}$ disintegrations, or 37 billion. This amounts to $2.1 \times 10^{25}$ "Mev" of energy, or 21,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 Mev. One Mev is a million electron-volts. Within 24 hr this total energy will be reduced to $3.4 \times 10^{18}$ Mev of energy per second, which still is a large figure.

The first figure, however, is 6,165 times the second figure. The reduction is enormous, yet the amount remaining is still high. If such a bomb were set off under water in Lake Michigan near a water intake, there would be great contamination with radioactive material, the magnitude of which cannot be estimated with any degree of accuracy.

In comparison with the foregoing astronomical figures, the acceptable safe tolerance level for water containing fission products—as published in THE EFFECTS OF ATOMIC WEAPONS, prepared under the direction of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory—is $4 \times 10 - 6$ microcurie per cubic centimeter.

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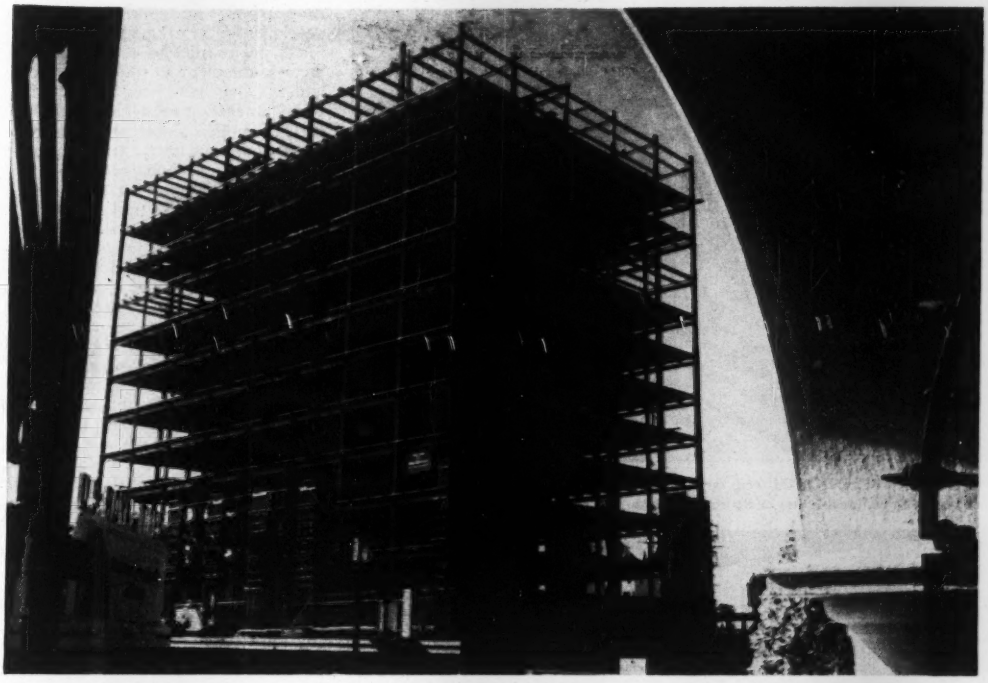


STEEL FRAME for 12-story office building on Wilshire Boulevard, in Los Angeles is lightweight though designed for earthquake resistance. Exterior will be glass, except for some cast-in-place concrete panels.

# Weight saving means money saving on Los Angeles building group

THE STRUCTURAL FRAME for three buildings now going up in Los Angeles weighs only eleven pounds per square foot of floor area. Yet, the construction provides resistance to high earthquake stresses and it has 3 and 4-hour fire resistance.

All this was made possible by taking advantage of recent changes in the Los Angeles Building Code.

Savings in weight for these buildings also means savings in cost. The completed structural frame is said to cost $3.56 a square foot. This includes structural steel, reinforced concrete, floor system and lightweight fireproofing.

Most of the weight-saving features in the three buildings in question have been used in other structures either in Los Angeles or other parts of the U.S. The new feature in this design is use of prefabricated steel floor panels acting as transverse diaphragms to transmit lateral or earthquake forces. And this is new only to relatively tall buildings, since it has been used on a

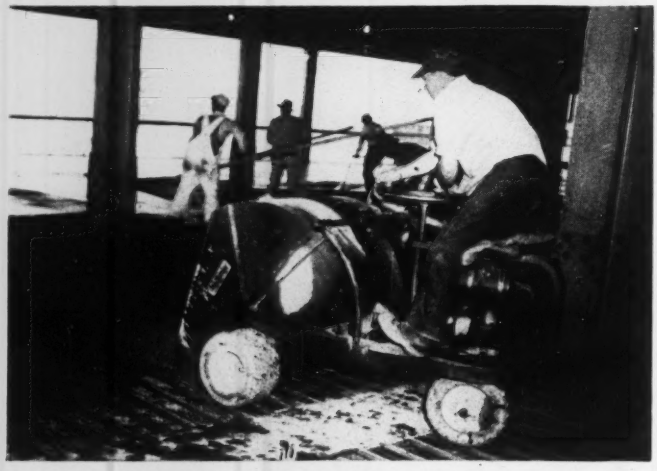
## HOW CODE APPROVAL WAS OBTAINED

Use of hollow-steel floor panels as a diaphragm to transmit horizontal loads illustrates how the Los Angeles Building Code is continually revised to keep up with improvements in materials and design practice. Before such panels were approved, reinforced concrete floors served to distribute seismic and wind loads. Advantage in the use of the steel panels is to be obtained in lighter weight and faster, more economical construction.

Committees of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Structural Engineers Association of Southern California that were making a special study of such diaphragms interested two manufacturers in making large-scale tests. These tests, conducted by an independent testing laboratory, were instrumental in establishing design criteria after analysis and interpretation by Consulting Engineer S. B. Barnes. Building officials were convinced of the practicability of such design, so the code was altered accordingly.

It wasn't really as easy as it sounds. New methods of welding the zinc-coated panels had to be developed. Crimping the panels together did not produce a rigid enough diaphragm and existing welding methods were not considered adequate. However, this hurdle was passed by development of special electric welding techniques. The engineers, in cooperation with a welding equipment manufacturer, made studies and tests that resulted in the use of E7016 electrodes. Spot welding the panels to the frame on 12-in. centers, plus the concrete fill, made the panels sufficiently rigid to resist substantial amounts of shear in both directions.

**WELDING TECHNIQUES** were developed to attach flooring to steel frame. These techniques helped enable use of flooring as diaphragm to resist horizontal loading.



**POWERED CONCRETE BUGGIES** operated on the steel deck with no protective pads required. Thus, pouring operations were more flexible and speedier.

two-story bakery building also in Los Angeles (ENR Oct. 12, 1950, p 36).

Lightweight plaster fireproofing applied as an envelope is the other major weight-saving feature. Such fireproofing has been in use in recent years in other new buildings, notably in Los Angeles and Houston.

The lightweight Los Angeles structures form a group of three identical 12-story (height limit) office buildings being built for Tishman Realty and Construction Co., Inc., of New York City. The project is located on Los Angeles' famous Wilshire Blvd. just west of the Ambassador Hotel. The building frame for the first unit has been completed and interior finish work is now under way. Foundations for the other two units are completed, and structural steel erection began early in March.

Upper floors of each building are 100x150 ft in plan. This entire area is available for partitioning as suits the needs of tenants, with the exception of a 20x75-ft interior elevator and utility core. Retail stores will occupy the entire ground floor of each building. The three units will be connected by one-story store buildings.

• **Structural steel frame**—The steel is reduced to the ultimate in simplicity, the designers claim, because it's intended to resist vertical loading only. All horizontal loads such as might be developed by earthquake and wind forces are resisted by reinforced concrete encasement of the utility core and by some reinforced concrete exterior panels that act as shear-walls.

This simple framing plan, the engineers point out, is in itself a significant factor in reducing weight of the structure. There are no heavy spandrel trusses or beefed-up joint connections required to transmit bending moment from girders to columns.

However, since no diaphragm can be considered infinitely rigid, the engineers designed into the frame a minimum degree of moment resistance. This problem is one of engineering judgment, since a mathematical analysis would take too long and would be of questionable value, the designers say. For this minimum moment resistance, top and seat angles were used to attach girders to columns. This is in lieu of standard framing angles for both web and flange connections.

The thickness of the top and seat angles was set to develop the capacity of the rivets in tension using a minimum gage in the vertical leg. Further, these connections were to carry the vertical load in the outstanding (i.e., horizontal) leg without stiffeners.

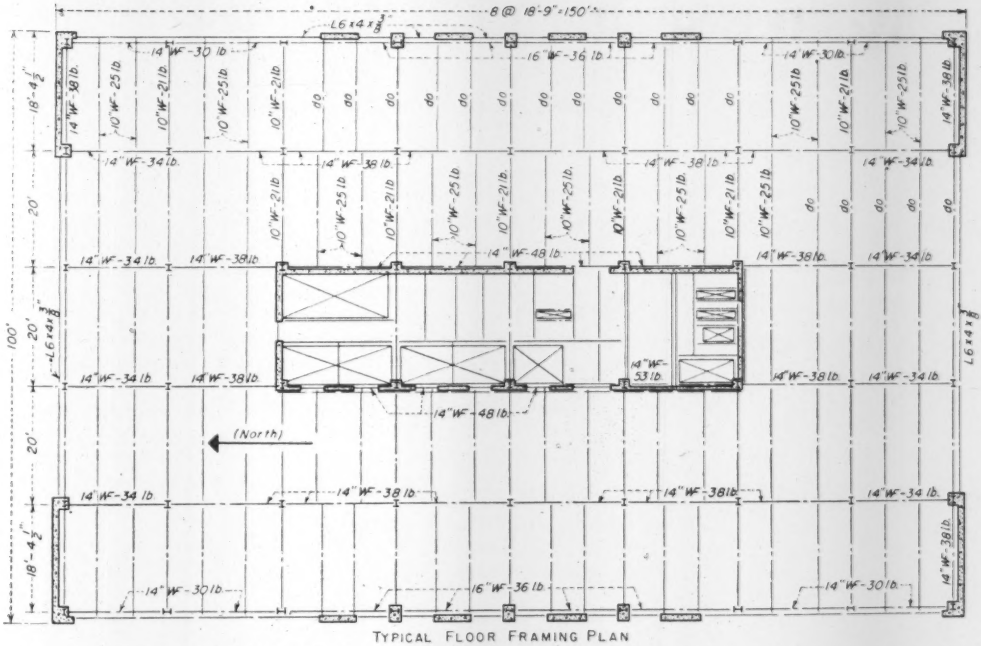
All framing to the columns was shop and field riveted. Framing for intermediate beams was shop riveted and field bolted.

• **Floor takes shear**—Each floor consists of cellular light-gage steel panels. These are spot welded to the steel frame on 12-in. centers and covered with a minimum of 2 in. of concrete. Horizontal forces will be absorbed by this flooring system, which will act as a diaphragm, say the designers, and such forces are transmitted to the various vertical resisting elements in proportion to their relative rigidity (ENR Dec. 23, 1948, p 67).

The engineers designed into the flooring reserve strength so they could approve location of occasional openings in the floor.

Seismic shears are much greater than shears induced by wind load. With wind acting on the long dimension of the building exerting a force of 15 psf for the first 60-ft height and 20 psf above that, shear in the first story is twice as much for earthquake loading as for wind load. And in this case earthquake load is significantly reduced by weight-saving design (earthquake load is assumed at a percentage of the dead loads above a floor level).

These steel and concrete floors will transmit horizontal force at each floor level primarily to the 12-in. thick reinforced concrete walls of the central




TYPICAL FLOOR FRAMING PLAN

**CENTRAL UTILITY CORE, 20x75 ft in plan, has reinforced concrete walls that act as shear resisting elements for horizontal loading. Plan of upper floors on all three buildings is similar.**

utility core and to the exterior concrete panels. Resistance to shear designed into the vertical concrete walls provides earthquake protection.

Since almost the entire exterior is glass window construction, no such resistance was available in the outside walls. That is with the exception of architectural concrete panels at each end that provide some earthquake resistance in the east-west direction. The resistance in the north-south direction (the long dimension of the building) is built entirely into the core walls.

As the steel frame was not designed for much horizontal force, it was important to have the steel floor panels placed and welded as close behind the structural steel erectors as possible. The stiffening effect of the welded floor panels was evidenced during erection, particularly when the guy derrick boomed out to pick up steel from the ground to be placed on one of the upper floors.

Use of the prefabricated floor panels permitted other building trades to get on the job almost as soon as the steel frame was erected. This advantage has been exploited repeatedly in constructing other buildings, such as the Sinclair Oil Building in New York City (ENR, Dec. 28, 1950, p 20). The prefabricated panel system also is used as electric wiring raceway.

• **Simple fireproofing system**—Columns are fireproofed by enveloping them in a 1-in. thickness of vermiculite plaster. Furring strips hold the wire mesh the required 1¼ in. away from the steel column.

The floor beams and entire floor panel system are protected on the bottom by a false ceiling of 1-in. thickness of vermiculite plaster suspended 14 in. below the bottom of the floor beams. This suspended-ceiling fireproof envelope is used in place of individual encasement of each beam as has been required on many structures in the past. Weight saving is obvious.

The Los Angeles Building Code allows 85 sq in. in 100 sq ft of such fireproofing for duct openings and the like. Also permitted is one 4x4 outlet box in each 90 sq ft of such fireproofing. This does not significantly reduce the fire resistance. However, the building department must approve the nature, type and location of such openings in each case.

This envelope type of fireproofing was proven in National Bureau of Standards tests five years ago. As a result of these tests several other cities besides Los Angeles have incorporated similar provisions in their codes.

The building is founded on a blue-shale formation running from 16 to 35 ft below the basement level of the building. This permitted use of drilled, reinforced-concrete, belled caissons for foundations.

Architectural features include an exterior almost entirely of glass. Besides that, the buildings are 100% air conditioned with the air conditioning equipment located in the utility core at the seventh floor level. This is in place of having it either on the roof or in the basement and permits better distribution of cooled or warmed air.

Office layout is flexible since no partitions are installed in advance of leasing the space.

The Tishman Realty and Construction Co., Inc. was represented in the planning by Victor Mayper, consulting engineer. Architect for the work was Claude Beelman with Herman Spackler, associate architect. The building frame was designed by George E. Brandow and Roy G. Johnston, Los Angeles structural engineers.

C. L. Peck, Los Angeles general contractor, is building the project. Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Fabricated Steel Construction Division, is furnishing and erecting the 3,500 tons of structural steel in the job. Steel floor decking was manufactured by H. H. Robertson Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. The Lincoln Electric Co. helped develop the new welding techniques.

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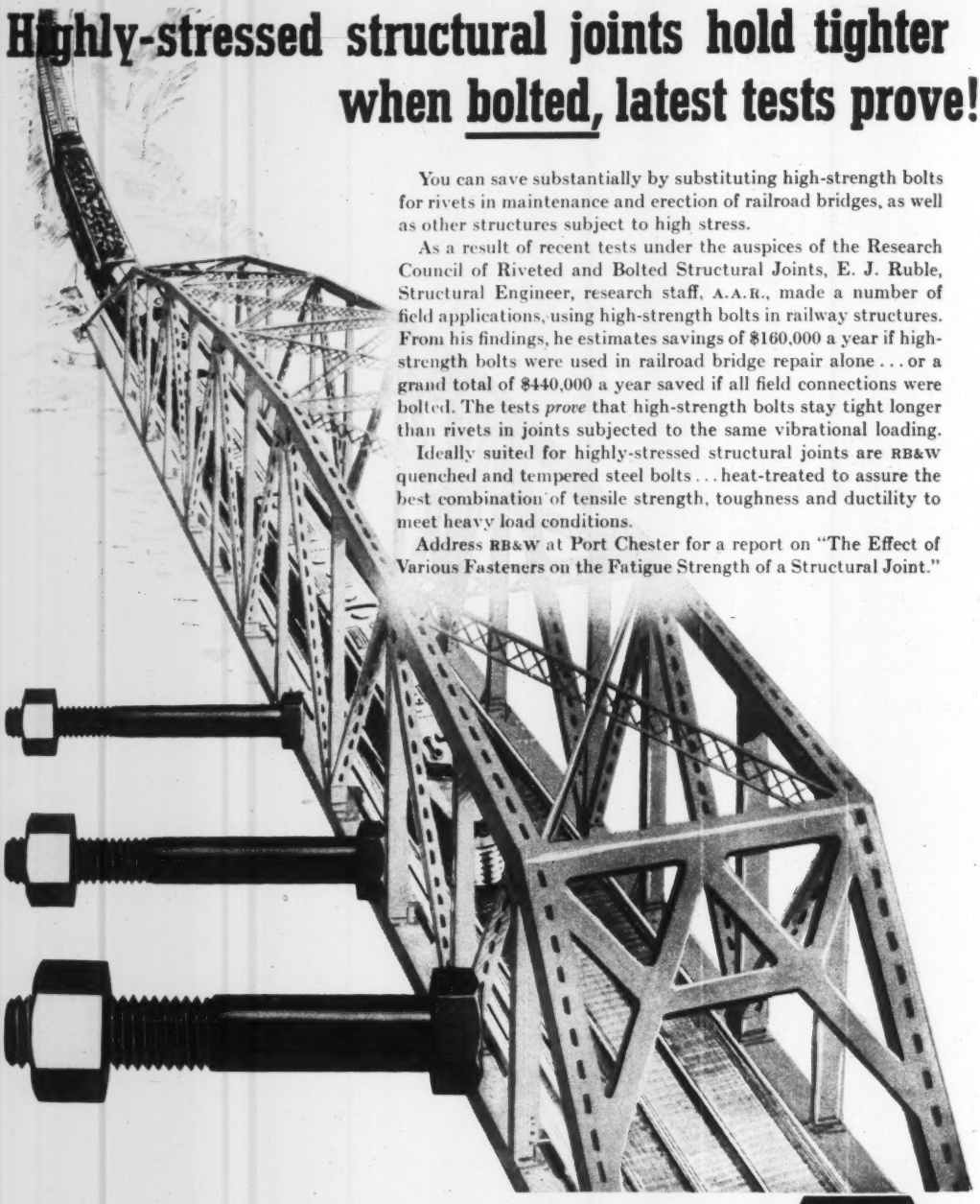

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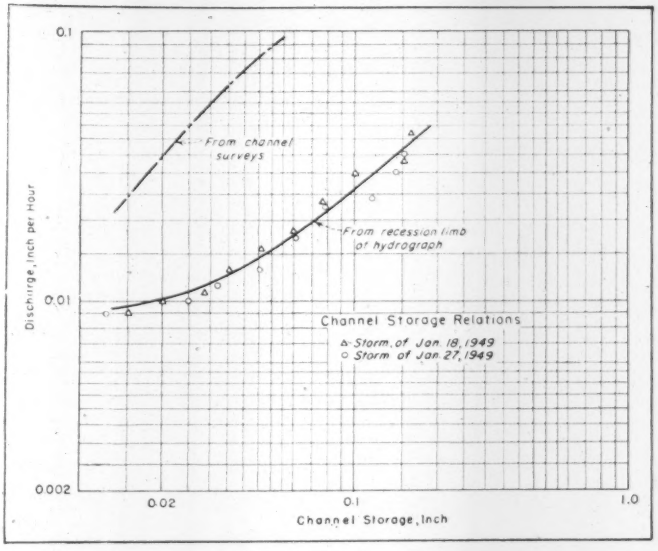


**MEASURED VS. CALCULATED STORAGE**—Channel storage found by field surveys varies widely from that calculated from the hydrograph, indicating amount of water detained on streets and in drainage system.

# Urban runoff data studied in Urbana by U. of Illinois

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INSTRUCTION IN HYDROLOGY is being combined with a local research project by the University of Illinois, Urbana. Complete basic hydrologic data on Boneyard Creek—periodic flood-threat to the twin cities of Urbana and Champaign—are being collected by graduate students to guide choice of flood control measures there, and to furnish rainfall-runoff relationships that may be extended to similar urban areas elsewhere.

Some 4.45 sq mi of the Boneyard's basin are under study by the University's hydrological laboratory, a facility of its department of civil engineering. The area is predominantly urban—about 32% impervious. Soil in pervious portions is loess and glacial till, loosely described as a brown silt loam.

In the 2.85-mi length under study, the creek falls 36 ft. Its relatively small channel has suffered alterations as the area built up, and in some places homes and business structures have been built over it.

Collection of stream discharge and precipitation data was begun in the summer of 1948. Average percentage of runoff has been 19%—a rather conservative value if used in urban storm sewer design. Heavier rains than those thus far experienced may cause considerably greater percentages of runoff.

Data are being plotted to show:

(1) Increase in peak rate of runoff with increase in the volume of direct runoff, using duration of effective rain as parameter.

(2) General increase in unit peak-flow with decrease in the duration of effective rain. (Unit peak-flow is analogous to unit hydrograph peak and would be the same if the storms were all of unit duration.)

(3) Relation between the volume of channel storage determined from reliable channel surveys and the theoretical storage found from flood hydrographs.

The falling portion of the hydrograph to the right of the point of inflection is commonly termed the recession limb and represents (according to R. E. Horton) the flow out of storage. By summing progressively the areas beneath the recession limb in a reverse chronological order from the moment surface runoff ends to the point of inflection, the volume of storage can be calculated.

Relatively wide divergence between the two storage curves (left) is indicative of detention of flood waters on the streets and in the conduits of the drainage system. This is interpreted as confirmation of the concept that the recession limb of a flood hydrograph from an urban area is associated with what may be termed "composite storage." This is the combined volume of water which is in transit over the pervious and impervious areas toward the gutters, plus that which is in the gutters, the conduits, and in the stream channel itself.

• **Detention effect**—Peak rates of runoff experienced are on the order of only 75 cfs per sq mi even though fairly heavy rains occurred. It is believed this moderate unit discharge is related to detention effects of the municipal drainage system which throttles the flow on its way to the Boneyard—rather than to the existence of conditions favoring high infiltration rates.

Retarding action results from ponding of water on the streets and alleyways because of poor inlet conditions and from the surcharging of sewers on account of adverse hydraulic conditions in these conduits when the Boneyard is at high stages. This is instrumental not only in delaying the transit of flood waters through the main channel and reducing the peaks, but also helpful in prolonging the period of opportunity for infiltration and possibly decreasing the volume of flood runoff.

On the other hand, existing records of extreme flood discharges in Illinois point to the possibility of crippling floods on the Boneyard when surface conditions are so improved that runoff reaches it more promptly.

• **Cooperative effort**—Equipment of the hydrological laboratory includes nine recording rain gages of the weighing type and a river gaging station with automatic stage recorder. U. S. Geological Survey operates the gaging station, which was built with funds provided by the Illinois State Water Survey. There is also a U. S. Weather Bureau evaporation station maintained and serviced by the Water Survey.

The Boneyard project is a cooperative venture of the University of Illinois; the Illinois State Water Survey, of which A. M. Buswell is chief; and the U. S. Geological Survey under J. H. Morgan, district engineer. W. C. Huntington is head of the department of civil engineering. J. J. Doland is in charge of the project assisted by the writer.

# We Must Pay As We Go

***We** must do our utmost to pay as we go for our present defense program.*

On that proposition those who speak with authority are remarkably well agreed. This editorial – the second in a series on our mobilization for freedom – sets forth in simple terms why there is this agreement.

Next year – the fiscal year beginning next July 1 – the federal government's budget calls for the expenditure of $10 billion more than is scheduled to be collected in taxes. The deficit is due to the increase in defense expenditures.

A part of this deficit can be eliminated by cutting non-essential expenditures and increasing efficiency in the defense program. There is wide agreement on this. It is the duty of the President and Congress to see that it is saved.

*How the remaining deficit anticipated in the federal budget–$5 billion to $10 billion–is handled is crucial.* The government can meet it by raising taxes–by paying as we go. Or it can borrow, issuing more government bonds.

## Borrow Again?

We relied heavily on borrowing in both World War I and World War II. In World War I only about one-third of the expenditures of the federal government were met by taxation. In World War II about 45 percent were met in this way. The rest we borrowed. Some people ask, why can't we rely heavily on borrowing again? Why is it crucially important to avoid adding $5 billion to $10 billion to a federal debt that is already $257 billion?

Part of the answer is found in the contrast between this defense program and our all-out effort of World War II. Another part–and one that is all-important in combatting inflation–results from the rapid decline in the purchasing power of the American dollar in recent years.

We went "all out" in World War II. We put almost half of everything we produced into our military effort. Taxes high enough to pay the financial costs as incurred would have meant huge tax increases. It was feared that such increases would kill financial incentives to get "all out" production. Since we expected the war to be short, borrowing seemed a safe expedient. Price control and rationing, with wartime patriotism to give them effective support, were relied upon to keep in check the inflationary pressure created by borrowing rather than taxing.

Our present defense program is scheduled to take a much smaller share of our production, but to take it over a much longer period. At its peak, the program as now planned will take only about 20 percent of our total national production. But, to use General Bradley's phrase, "the conditions under which we labor may persist for ten, fifteen or twenty years."

## What About Controls?

For a period of any such duration it would be foolhardy to expect that the sort of controls we had for the few years of World War II could hold in check the inflationary pressure created by not paying as we go. It would be as foolhardy as it would be for a family to plan on borrowing to pay the expenses of a member discovered to be afflicted by a chronic ailment which might last a long lifetime.

Obviously, the only safe thing to do in such a case would be to adjust the family budget so that the expenses of the illness would be paid currently.

*Our heavy reliance on borrowing in World War II had consequences which block a successful repeat performance.*

If the borrowing had been done by persuading individuals to transfer their savings into government bonds, relatively little inflationary pressure would have been created. What the government would have spent with the proceeds of such bond sales would have been subtracted from the money individual consumers could spend.

But much of the borrowing was done from banks. That course expanded the amount of money available to the government without any offsetting subtraction of money from the hands of individuals. Thus, when direct price controls were removed after the war, this bottled-up purchasing power contributed to a price inflation which has cut purchasing power of the American dollar about in half – and decidedly changed the attitudes of the American people toward that dollar.

During World War II, Americans in general believed that:

The war would not last long.

The dollar would hold its value, and even gain value after the war.

Many wonderful new products would be available in the postwar period.

Today the American people have:

Seen the value of their dollars melt away fast.

Been assured that, at best, we may have a 10-15-20-year pull ahead.

Been warned not to expect a postwar paradise anytime soon.

One result of these changed attitudes is a notable lack of enthusiasm for government bonds on the part of individual investors. This is indicated by the fact that since Korea redemptions of E bonds have exceeded sales by about $600 million. Another result is a continuing rush to convert dollars into physical goods and equipment or claims on them. This trend weighs against financing the prospective federal deficit by borrowing from individuals.

*Borrowing from banks to meet the deficit would again add fuel to inflation.*

The prospective deficit is due to federal expenditures for military goods. Even if they are not blown up or shipped abroad, these goods will not be available to civilians. But the money paid to those who produce military goods will still be available to bid up the prices of civilian goods. Thus, at a time when people show relatively little disposition to save dollars, a menacing inflationary pressure – an inflationary gap, the economists call it – will be created.

If our fight against inflation is to be successful this gap must be closed by taxes. We need to do other things, too, for inflation has many different causes. Credit expansion must be effectively controlled. Production of civilian goods must be increased as much as possible by eliminating waste and inefficiency. But a pay-as-we-go tax program is basic to a successful attack on inflation. And inflation – unless it is checked – could wreck our defense effort.

*We cannot pay as we go merely by soaking harder the corporations and those in the upper income brackets.*

As the President's Council of Economic Advisers has reported, "by far the largest part of the additional revenue must come from the middle and lower tax brackets. These are the brackets in which the great bulk of the income is located."

### Taxes Can Attack Inflation

By spreading tax increases broadly, taking small amounts from many people, inflationary pressure would be effectively reduced. It is the expenditures of the great mass of people, rather than the small numbers in the upper income tax brackets, that create most of the pressure. Moreover, it is possible to increase taxes broadly without killing the economic incentives to produce. Maintaining these incentives is essential to the success of the defense effort.

Our elected representatives cannot be expected to be enthusiastic about a pay-as-we-go tax program. It involves increasing the taxes of the great body of their constituents, an operation completely lacking in political glamour. However, such a program also involves the integrity of the American dollar. And that is absolutely essential to the success of the defense program. We shall be very foolish if we do not let our leaders know that we want them to do everything possible to pay as we go.

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FIG 1. COLLAPSE of Vierendeel truss bridge on the Albert Canal at Hasselt, Belgium, March 1938. (N. J. Rengers photo)

# Brittle fractures in welded bridges

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COLLAPSE of the Duplessis Bridge in Quebec (ENR Feb. 8, p 23) reminds me of several bridge failures that occurred in Europe before World War II. I had an opportunity to visit the site of one of these—a Vierendeel truss bridge at Hasselt, Belgium, during the winter of 1937-1938—and inspected hundreds of brittle cracks that formed without plastic deformation before and in collapse (Fig. 1).

These failures showed clearly that structural steel does not always behave as a "ductile" material. As a matter of fact, the brittle or plastic behavior of any material depends on the temperature and state of stress.

In general, a material behaves plastically if the shear stress in certain crystallographic planes is high enough to cause slip in those planes. But the simultaneous maximum principal tensile stress must be less than the normal stress at which brittle fracture would take place. If this limiting value of the normal stress is exceeded, brittle failure occurs.

Thus, a so-called ductile material, like structural steel, may behave in a brittle manner when it is subjected to triaxial tension (as, for example, in the center part of the neck of a round test bar). On the other hand, a so-called brittle material, like concrete, may behave plastically if it is subjected to triaxial compression (as, for example, in spirally reinforced columns). The same applies to rocks in the deeper strata of the earth's crust.

**• Plastic or brittle?**—Occurrence of plastic deformation or brittle failure is governed by rather intricate laws. In simplified form, this happens:

If two of the three principal stresses, such as shrinkage stresses induced by welding, are equal or nearly equal, plastic deformation may be assumed to start when the maximum shear reaches a certain limiting value. For a steel with a well defined yield point, for example, this limiting value, which will be called the shear yield stress, is half the yield stress in pure tension (since in the special case of pure tension, the maximum shear stress is numerically equal to half the tensile stress). On the other hand, for simplicity, one can assume with reasonable accuracy that brittle fracture will occur when the maximum principal tensile stress reaches a certain value—the brittle strength.

As indicated in Fig. 2, the stresses in any plane through a point in a body may be represented by points in a normal-stress, shear-stress diagram (Mohr's circle). In this diagram, for steel with a well defined yield stress, and at a certain temperature, shear yield stress as defined above is represented by a line parallel to the normal-stress axis. Brittle strength is indicated by a line parallel to the shear axis.

In Fig. 2, for simple tension (when the two lower principal stresses are zero), the stresses in all planes are given by points of the solid-line circle. If the applied tension increases, the circle gets larger. If the tension becomes big enough, the circle will touch one of the limiting lines. For the shear yield stress and brittle strength depicted in Fig. 2, the enlarged circle, shown by dashed lines, meets the shear-yield-stress line first. Hence, plastic deformation will occur.

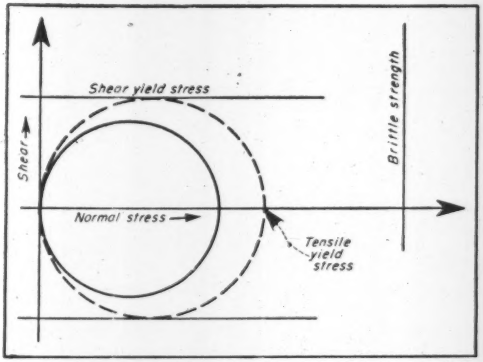


FIG. 2. FOR PURE TENSION, as stress increases, Mohr's circle gets larger, meets yield-stress line. Plastic deformation occurs.

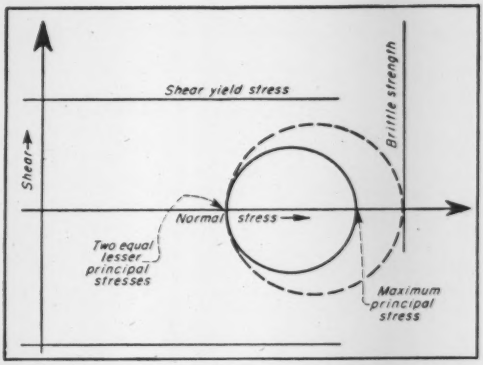


FIG. 3. FOR WELDED STRUCTURES Mohr's circle meets the brittle-strength line. Brittle fracture may occur.

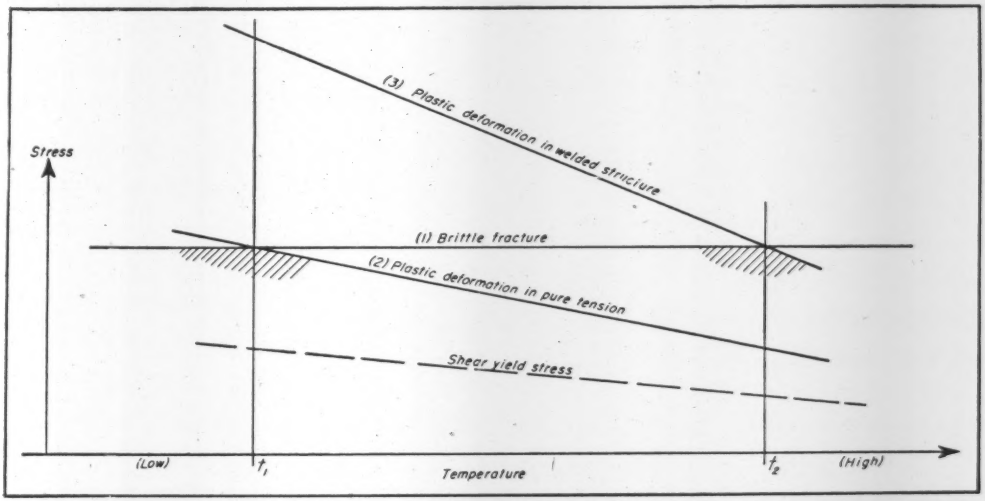


FIG. 4. TRANSITION TEMPERATURES for pure tension and for a welded structure are determined by the intersection of lines representing the tensile yield stress and the brittle strength.

In a welded structure, however, especially if thick plates are used, so that shrinkage in all directions is significantly impeded, high triaxial stresses will occur. Suppose the residual state of shrinkage stress at a certain point is given by the solid circle in Fig. 3. Here, the shrinkage stress in the longitudinal direction of the girder is assumed to be the maximum principal stress, and the other principal stresses are assumed to be equal. All three are tension stresses. If now, by application of dead and live load, the portion of the girder at the weld is subjected to additional tension, the maximum principal stress increases, while the other principal stresses remain constant. In this case, as shown by the dashed lines, the brittle-strength line may be reached first. Hence, at the same temperature, the steel will show a brittle fracture.

For simple tension (Fig. 2), plastic deformation occurs if the principal stress increases until it reaches the tensile yield stress, which is numerically equal to twice the shear yield stress. Brittle fracture occurs if the principal stress increases until it equals the brittle strength. For ductile steels, except possibly at very low temperatures, the tensile yield stress is always smaller than the brittle strength. Therefore, as the tension stress is increased, the tensile yield stress is reached and plastic deformation takes place before brittle fractures can occur.

The situation is different, however, if shrinkage stresses are present. Assume, for example, that in a welded structure at incipient fracture, the two smaller principal stresses are both equal to one-half the maximum principal stress. Then, maximum shear is numerically equal to one-fourth the maximum principal stress. Hence, plastic deformation occurs if the maximum principal stress increases until it reaches a value four times the shear yield stress. The tensile yield stress is now twice as large as it was for simple tension, while the brittle strength remained unchanged. Consequently, as the tension increases, the brittle strength may be reached before the tensile yield stress, in which case brittle fracture may occur without plastic deformation. This possibility is enhanced by low temperatures.

• **Effect of temperature**—Fig. 4 gives a graphical presentation of the varia-

tion of the limiting stresses with temperature. As was stated by E. Orowan ("Fracture and Notch Brittleness in Ductile Metals," Cambridge University conference, Oct. 26, 1945), the brittle strength does not change appreciably and certainly does not decrease with decreasing temperature. This condition is represented by line (1). On the other hand, the yield stress rises with falling temperature.

Hence, in Fig. 4, where, for pure tension, the maximum principal tensile stress is limited by lines (1) and (2), brittle fracture occurs at temperatures below the pertinent transition temperature $t_1$, while plastic deformation occurs at higher than $t_1$.

For a welded structure with high triaxial stresses, however, the maximum principal stress is limited by the lines (1) and (3), the latter representing the condition that the tensile yield stress equals four times the shear yield stress. Hence, brittle fracture occurs up to much higher than $t_1$.

Thus, if two structures are made from the same steel, and one is practically free from residual stresses, while the other has rather high shrinkage stresses, they will behave differently. The transition temperature for the first will be very low, so that under practically any service temperature the steel will remain ductile. For the second, however, the transition temperature will be much higher; hence, when the actual service temperature is low, such as in cold winters, it may be below the transition temperature. If so, the steel in the second structure will tend to fracture in a brittle manner, without the possibility of high localized strains being made harmless by plastic deformation.

• **Welded plates should be thin**—In welded structures, shrinkage stresses are particularly high if thick plates are used, and therefore, brittle fractures are likely to occur at moderately low temperatures. The exact value of this temperature depends not only on the state of stress but also on the metallurgical properties of the steel. It is important to recognize, however, that under certain stress conditions, brittle fracture may occur in any steel, and that, therefore, only a combination of appropriate design and erection (to minimize shrinkage stresses) and of adequate steel quality (to maximize ductility) can safeguard against brittle fracture.

This has been recognized in Europe; e.g., in Belgium and Holland, where, after World War II, plate thicknesses of more than $\frac{3}{4}$ or 1 in. are generally avoided for welded structures, and killed steel is used exclusively. Furthermore, several special requirements are imposed, which, for common structural steel (St. 37), limit percentages of carbon, phosphorus and sulfur to about 0.15%, 0.05% and 0.05%, respectively. If plate thicknesses of more than 1 in. have to be used, it is additionally required that, after welding, the structure be normalized to reduce residual stresses. Similar requirements are advanced here.

It is not possible to indicate the definite causes of collapse of the Duplessis Bridge pending conclusion of the investigation now under way. From the available data, it would seem, however, that a number of circumstances combined to produce failure by brittle fracture. Among these are the low temperature prevailing at the time, the apparently unsatisfactory type of steel which did not conform to the enumerated requirements, and the use of inadvisably thick plates with correspondingly high, unrelieved shrinkage stresses.

The preceding information on brittle fracture, here presented in much simplified form, is not new; it is known by many specialists in the field. In view of the failure of the Duplessis Bridge, a summary of this information is considered justified, for the benefit of the many engineers not familiar with this subject.

# USBR seeks to avoid cost of importing riprap, studies other slope protection

HIGH COST OF RIPRAP, which must often be shipped from distant sources to Great Plains dam projects is the cause of slope protection studies the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation is making on Bonny Dam in the Missouri Basin. Freight costs alone, for riprap materials on the $16,500,000 earthfill structure, will be near $1,000,000.

It is estimated that rock riprap for some 16 dams proposed for construction in the lower Platte River area could cost nearly $35,000,000, largely because of the long haul distances.

Bonny Dam is on the Republican River in eastern Colorado. It is completed but for the slope paving and minor items of cleanup.

Half of a test section on the dam's upstream slope will be protected by an asphaltic concrete blanket of varying thickness; the rest will have soil-cement paving. Herbert E. Prater, regional engineer for USBR in the area, feels these two materials show promise of affording the necessary embankment protection at reasonable cost, and are adaptable to a wide variety of construction methods.

A spot has been selected on the reservoir where the test installation will be subjected to wind and wave action, fluctuating reservoir water surface level, freezing and thawing, and other rigorous service conditions. Regional engineers expect to gain full scale performance records by which to determine the suitability and practicability of the tested materials as substitutes for rock riprap.

Because this part of the Missouri River Basin has a deficiency of rock suitable for use as riprap, it has been necessary to ship rock by rail to Bonny Dam from quarries near Golden, Colo. 180 miles away. The rail trip is followed by a truck haul amounting to 25 miles.

Built to control floods and bring 6,000 to 8,000 acres under irrigation, Bonny Dam is a 9,265-ft long earthfill, 160 ft high. Its 8,500,000 cu yd of fill were placed by the contractor, Utah Construction Co., as 99% of the work was completed in 54% of the allotted time.

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**WASTE TREATMENT UNIT** for southern California brewery is as large as many city sewage treatment plants. Effluent is added to underground water table by spreading ponds (left). Plant includes (right to left) primary clarifiers, primary (small) and secondary (large) bio-filters, and secondary clarifiers; sludge digester and drying beds.

# Brewery builds waste plant; flow is larger than city's


Boyd E. Guymon
Sanitary Engineer
Holmes & Narver, Engineers
Los Angeles, Calif.


SOME 670,000 gal of liquid wastes are treated daily and then added to the underground water table by a large new brewery waste treatment plant at Azuza, Calif.

Engineers of the Lucky Lager Brewing Co. found the brewery's volume of effluent is greater than the sanitary flow of the town. The elaborate disposal setup was needed because there was no available large receiving body of water.

The plant just completed is the final step of a two-phase development. First step, completed in 1949, was aimed at producing 300,000 bbl of beer a year. Practically as soon as this plant went into operation, work was started on a second increment of similar capacity.

• **Dry land location** — The town of Azuza is located 15 miles east of Los Angeles, 20 miles from the Pacific Ocean. It is near the San Gabriel River, a typical southwestern stream that flows only during times of heavy rainfall. Further, much of the water supply for industry and agriculture in this area comes from underground aquifers. Discharge of waste directly to these aquifers could result in their pollution.

The brewing process at Azuza was carefully worked out based on experience at other Lucky Lager plants. Two phases of this careful design benefitted the waste treatment plant. First of all, only 10.5 bbl of water was required to produce a barrel of beer. This compares with the national average of 15 bbl of water. Secondly, waste grains were removed in the brewing process more thoroughly than is usual. These grains are sold for livestock feed and other purposes. This has the effect of reducing both the suspended solids and BOD in the brewery waste. (In brewery wastes both of these factors are normally quite high, however.)

With these considerations in mind and based on effluent characteristics at other Lucky Lager breweries, the waste-treatment plant was designed for the first increment. When time for expansion came, it was found that the design had been relatively successful. Flow was 335,000 gpd as compared with the assumed 310,000 gpd. Actual BOD and suspended solids were likewise close to design figures. Further, excess sludge digestion capacity was available so no new digesters were built for the second increment.

Another interesting phase of the work is that the waste treatment plant had to be maintained in operation during construction of the second increment of the plant. This required careful scheduling of construction operations so no units of the original plant were out of service at any time.

Henry R. Henius is supervising brewmaster for the Luck Lager Brewery Co. Ruben Schneider is brewmaster for the Azuza brewery. The new brewery was designed by Meyer & Evers, San Francisco architects. The waste treatment facilities were designed by Holmes & Narver, Inc., Los Angeles.

## DATA SHEET FOR LUCKY LAGER WASTE TREATMENT PLANT AZUZA, CALIF.

**Raw waste characteristics:** 450-ppm BOD, 250-ppm suspended solids. 335 mgd flow, original plant construction. 670 mgd flow now. 1,350 mgd ultimate flow.

**Treatment process:** Two-stage bio-filtration with primary and secondary sedimentation; separate, single-stage sludge digestion; effluent disposal by spreading ponds to underground gravel beds.

**Sedimentation:** Two 40-ft dia, 10-ft swd primary units with continuous circular sludge collectors. Two 40-ft dia, 10-ft swd secondary units. Overflow rate varies from 365 to 730 gal/sq ft/day, depending upon raw waste pumping operations.

**Bio-filters:** Two 60-ft dia units with 3-ft rock depth for primary, one 85-ft dia unit with 6-ft rock depth for secondary. Average dosing rate for primary filters is 16.75 mg/acre/day. Secondary filter dosing rate is optional at 10 mg or 13.5 mg/acre/day.

**Sludge digestion:** One 35-ft dia, 20-ft swd sludge digester equipped with vertical-pipe heat exchangers and 7,500-gpm circulating pumping mechanism. Cover is of the fixed-dome type, gas is collected and used for heating digester contents.

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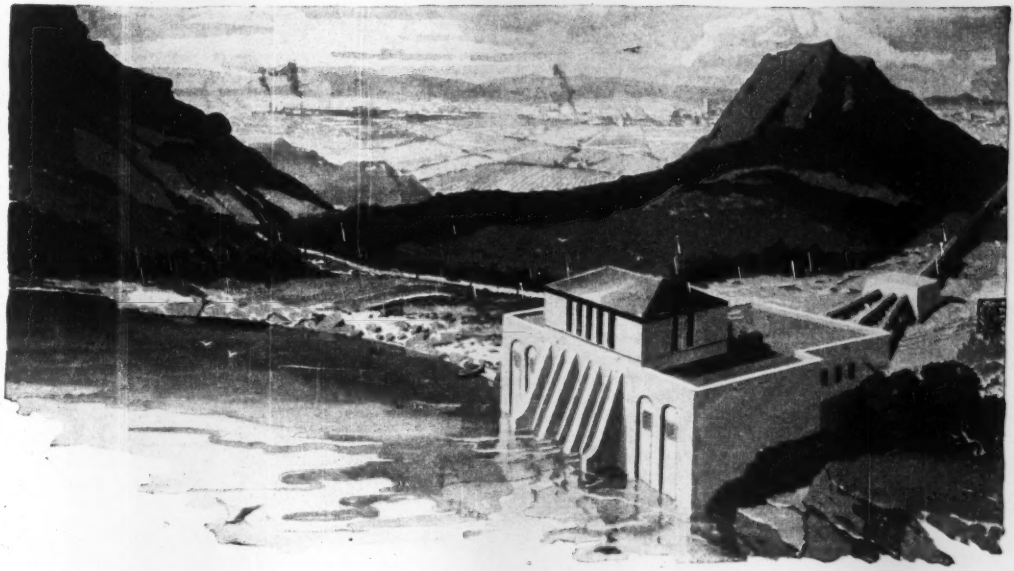

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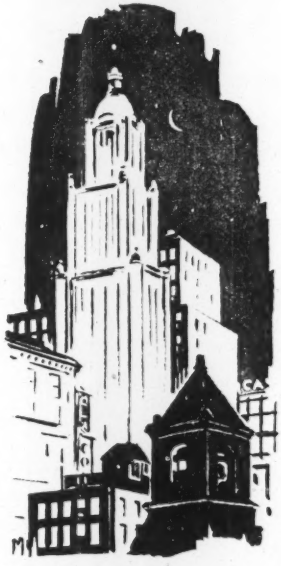

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# READER COMMENT

## Pollution Abatement

Sir: I wish to vigorously protest the editorial "Reconsider Pollution Abatement?" in the March 22 issue. I am unable to fathom the reasons which led to such a viewpoint.

Your editorial tends to undo all the constructive work thus far accomplished, and that now under way, by the county, state, inter-state and federal agencies for stream improvement.

It has taken many years of continuous effort to get the municipality to concede that it does not have either a moral or legal right to discharge untreated sewage into its downstream neighbor's water intake; to bring into public focus the fact that our water courses are so badly polluted today as to minimize their value as recreational assets; and to get industry to acknowledge the fact that industrial waste treatment is necessary and is a part of manufacturing costs.

One questions whether the national emergency to which you refer exists in the proportions which you imply. But this is a matter of personal opinion which is pointless to argue. It seems however that if the emergency has extreme urgency, your editorial efforts can be put to more fruitful use in ascertaining and pointing out the real reasons why bricklaying has risen in costs to 200 odd dollars per thousand, why bricklaying per man has dropped from 800-1000 to 200-300, why the bending of reinforcing bars or the laying of cast iron pipe requires "skilled labor," why reinforcing bars cannot be factory cut and factory bent, and why the cost of reinforced concrete in place has almost doubled within the past two years.

There are dozens of firms engaged in the manufacture of equipment employed in sewage and industrial waste treatment plants. Have defense orders taken their normal output, or has the demand for essential war goods been sufficient for them to retool and manufacture items for national defense? The most casual inquiry will elicit the answer, "No."

Until national conditions and the concerned federal agencies indicate such stringencies, it would seem that your editorial has jumped the gun—and plenty.

In closing may I paraphrase the last two paragraphs of another editorial of the same issue of ENR entitled "Responsibility Needed."

"Viewed lightly (as it should not be) your act is one of childish bad manners. Viewed seriously it is mutiny that can harm both the general interest and the cause of pollution abatement."

"Let us hope that ENR can editorially regain sight of the objective, 'responsibility in the general interest.' We'd like to believe that ENR can become qualified to give unselfish help to all."

I have every respect for your valued contributions to the field of engineering and the public good, and I trust that a reconsideration of your editorial may lead to some corrective statement. After all, none of us are immune to errors of judgment, and the most essential feature of the lead pencil is still the eraser.

THOMAS M. RIDDICK
*Consulting Engineer and Chemist*
*New York, N. Y.*

EDITOR'S NOTE: "Responsibility in the general interest" is what the editorial was about—but a general interest embracing the national welfare in an emergency as opposed to the long-time public welfare that Mr. Riddick discusses, and which we support as enthusiastically as he does. As a matter of fact the editorial was principally focused on the danger to the pollution abatement program in trying to push it at full throttle against the defense-effort current. If there is no national emergency, then the editorial has no point, but we can't be as confident on that score as Mr. Riddick seems to be.

## Backfilling felled that wall

Sir: In your Feb. 8, 1951 issue (p 51) there is an article about the failure of a retaining wall.

It is my opinion that failure was caused entirely by improper backfilling. An investigation would show, I believe, that after the wall was built, the fill was dumped in and permitted to slide down against the wall. Later settling of the fill then worked as a wedge and pushed the wall over. The wedge was formed because the face of the wall was plumb, and the top is thinner than the base.

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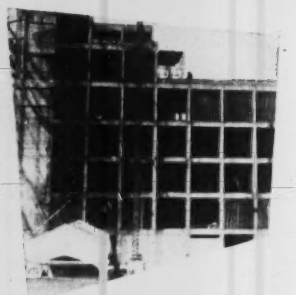

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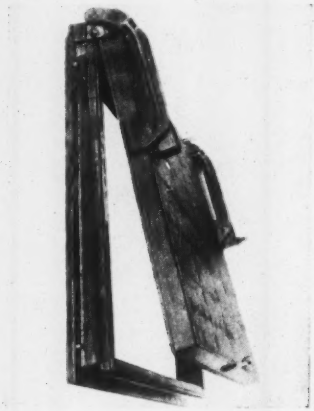
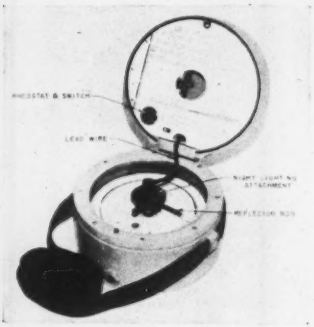


## Pontoon tide gate

Buoyancy of gate permits it to open under a 2-in. differential head. Designed for use in controlling discharge of waste from sewage systems during periods of storm flows, the Pontoon tide gate was developed by the City of New York, Department of Public Works, and the Krajewski-Pesant Mfg. Corp. Wall casting and frame are made from high-test cast iron, while flaps are constructed from Byers wrought-iron plates and membranes making a multiple number of watertight compartments continuously welded inside and outside from ⅜-in. thick plates. These have finely machined facing strips that seal against 1½-in.-sq rubber seating strips in dovetailed grooves.



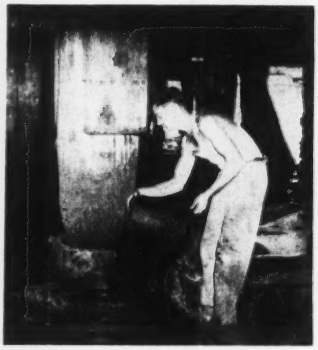
## Surveying altimeter

A surveying altimeter that measures elevations with an accuracy of approximately two feet has been designed and tested by the Army's Engineer Research & Development Laboratories.

This instrument is an aneroid-type barometric-leveling device for use from 1,000 feet below to 15,000 feet above sea level. It has a single vacuum chamber that expands and contracts in response to changes in atmospheric pressure, causing rotation of the indicating hand.

A lighting attachment for night operation is mounted in a rotatable socket that directs the beam of light. The lid houses a conversion and correction chart, a rheostat and switch, a reading glass, a sling psychrometer, a screw driver, a spanner wrench, the lighting attachment when not in use, and two batteries.

Engineering tests performed at Fort Belvoir, Va., indicate that the majority of the elevations established were correct within 2 feet when proper observing techniques were employed utilizing the two-base method.



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Creosote, which is lighter than water, is held within the floating cylinder as it rises and falls with the tide. This causes a film of creosote to form on the pile. Treatment is carried on for 24 hr, and is said to be effective for a minimum of 12 months. The collar is 4 ft high and has a 24-in. dia. It can be uncoupled and moved to another pile in 5 min.

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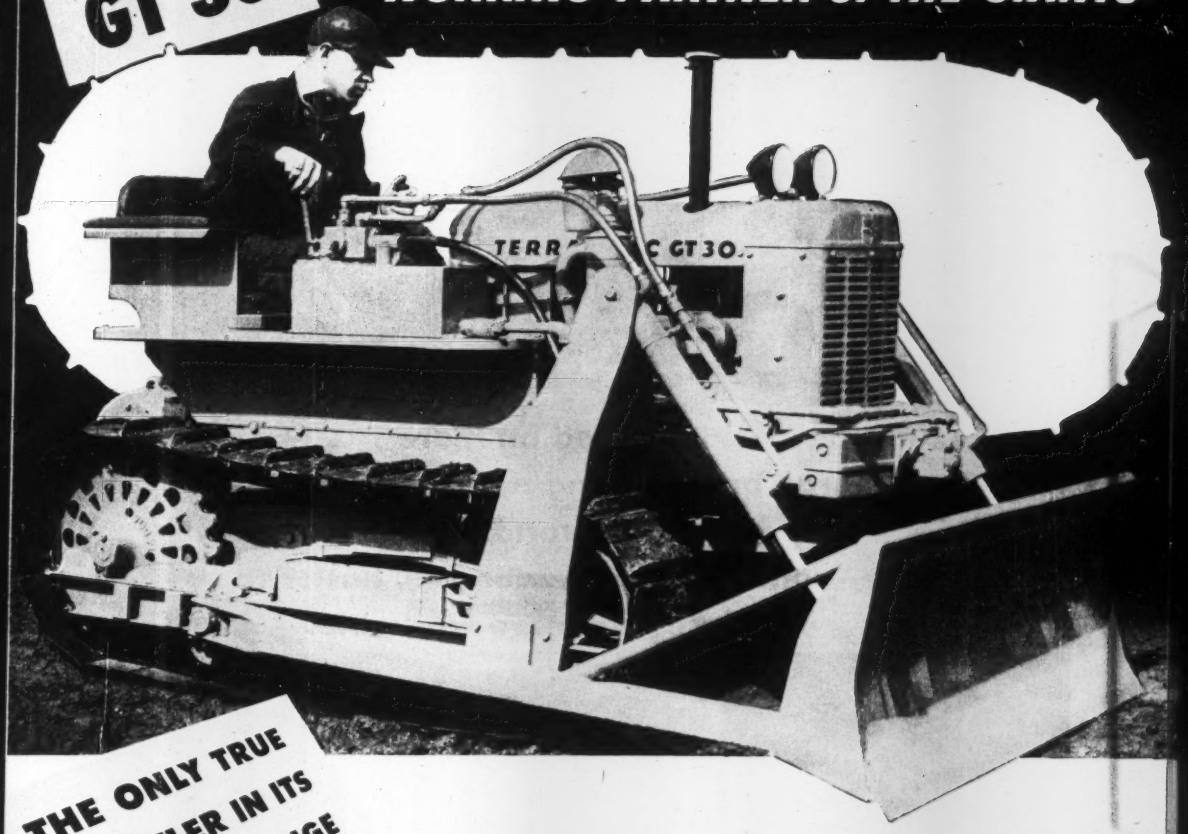


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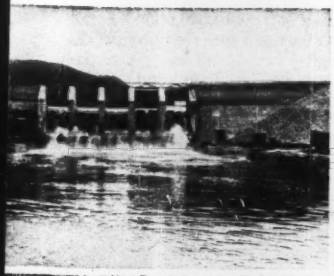

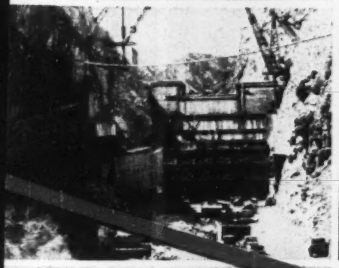
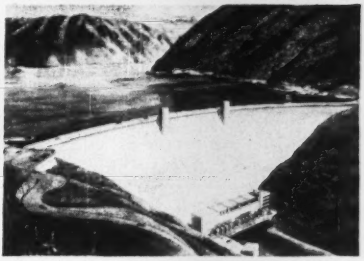
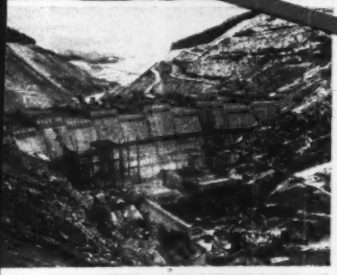
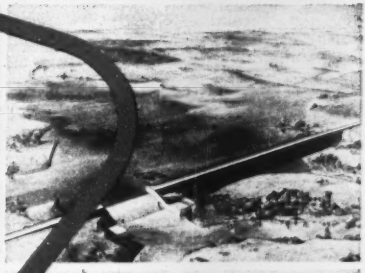
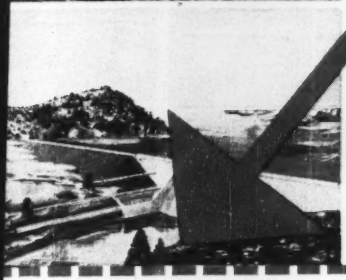
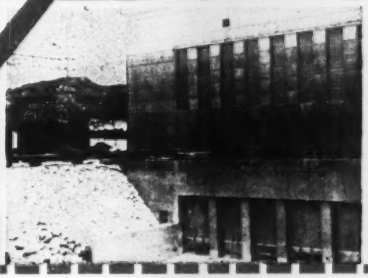

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Lytle-Amis Construction Co.,
Cambridge, Nebr.
Medicine Creek Dam
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Westley, Calif.
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# FOREIGN

## New Brazilian road partly out of service

Bad weather, imperfect materials and poor grade preparation are said to have combined to put out of service approximately 10 percent of the new Rodovia Presidente Dutra which was opened in January between the cities of Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo.

Surfacing has broken at many points, due to poor quality of coal tar supplied by the National Steelworks at Volta Redonda. Tests have shown that while 85 percent of the tar supplied from that source was satisfactory the remainder was substandard. In all, Volta Redonda supplied 14,000 metric tons of coal tar while 6,000 metric tons of asphalt was imported.

Excessive volatility of the poor Volta Redonda product, plus heavy rains interspersed with excessive heat, caused innumerable break-ups in the surfacing.

Meanwhile, on several stretches the subsurface has proved incapable of supporting the weight of the fill. Settling has caused detours at many points, especially where bridge approaches have fallen below necessary levels.

Repair work is under way at all points.

## Foreign briefs

**Modern roads for Turkey**—A network of modern roads is spreading out over Turkey with the help of Marshall Plan dollars. Under a 5-year program the Turkish government is building or improving more than 3,900 miles of roads, tying inland cities to seaports and breaking trails into formerly isolated areas for mineral and agricultural development.

**New career for Army dredge**—The 2,700-ton sea-going dredge "Manhattan" has been reconditioned and will climax 47 years of service with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers by beginning a new career which will take her to Thailand as a part of U. S. aid to strengthen that country's trade and commerce. The port of Bangkok is to be dredged to a depth of 28 ft, permitting the berthing of ocean-going vessels. For the International Bank, Ralph F. Rhodes, consulting engineer of Savannah, Ga., has left for Bangkok in connection with the proposed improvements of the harbor there.

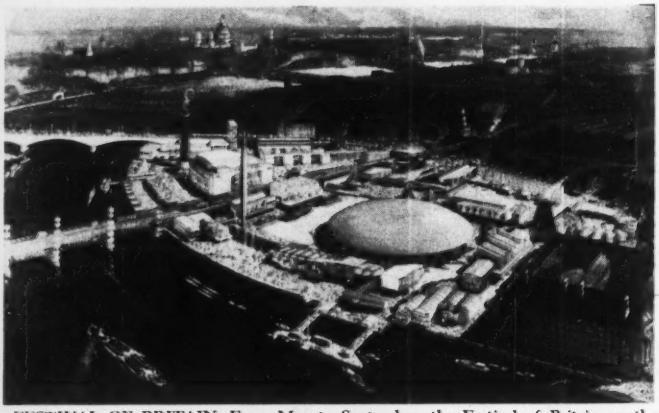
**Neapolitan public works**—A feature of the 10-year reconstruction plan to be carried out by the recently-created South Italy fund provides for an expenditure of $170,000,000 by the state to finance a series of public works in Naples, first of all for the reconstruction of buildings and public works destroyed or injured by war operations. Among the more important works are new warehouses for the free port, a large drydock, enlargement of railway connections, and the provision for 60,000 low-cost housing units.

**Health specialists to Asia**—A total of 80 American medical and health specialists have been made available to the Economic Cooperation Administration for one to two-year assignments in Southeast Asia—Indo China, Thailand, Burma, and Indonesia. The Americans will work with local health authorities through the agencies already established by the governments of those countries to serve a 136,000,000 population.

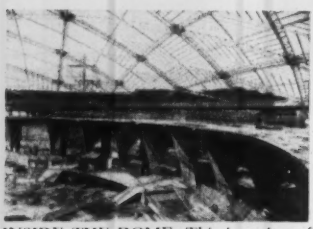
**French study our steel methods**—The French iron and steel industry has sent 13 specialists to this country to study American production. They are observing the efficient methods, organization and engineering which have given the American iron and steel industry its high productivity—an output per man-hour four times that so far attained in France.

## Britain at home to the world in its 1951 Festival

The former bombed area on the south side of the Thames, between Westminster and Waterloo Bridge, has been laid out with new buildings and terraces as an exhibition ground along the river front. How it looks is shown by the accompanying pictures. This exhibition will tell the story of the British people at work and at play—in industry, transport, agriculture, at home and on the seas, and in those boundless fields of exploration and discovery in which British scientists are helping to build the world of tomorrow when there may be peace and no "austerity."



**FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN**—From May to September, the Festival of Britain on the South Bank of the Thames at London will be in full swing. Here is an artist's impression of the finished site of the main feature of the festival, showing (foreground) the Dome of Discovery with (left) a 290-ft monumental pointer which will be illuminated from the inside at night. To the other side of the first bridge (Hungerford) is the Concert Hall, and beyond that a shot tower, used during the Napoleonic wars to make round lead shot, and fitted now to support the aerial of a radio telescope capable of bouncing radio waves off the moon. Beyond the shot tower is Waterloo Bridge and in the background St. Paul's Cathedral. More than 20 British cities are Festival centers and more than 1,600 towns and villages in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are scheduling Festival programs—Eastern Pubs. photo.



**INSIDE THE DOME**—This is a view of the Dome of Discovery showing the roof structure just prior to its being covered with aluminum sheeting.

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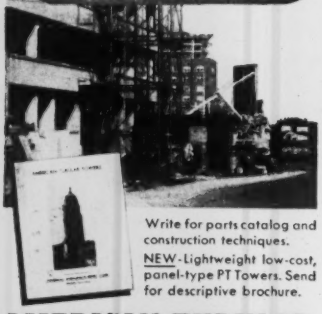

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# MUNICIPAL

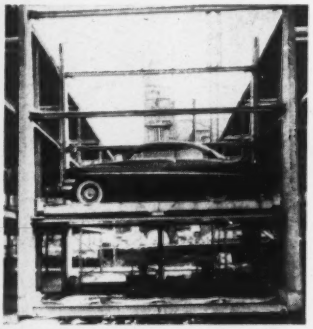
## Still more traffic problems

As usual, traffic continues to be the big municipal headache. Here are some late developments around the country.

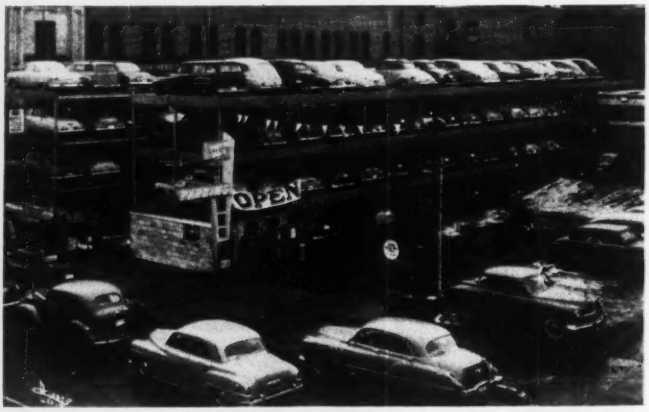
**Wilmington, Del.**—Purchase and development by the city of two parking sites at an estimated cost of from $800,000 to $1,000,000 for 6,000 automobiles in the area east and west of Market Street, between Fourth and Seventh Streets, in the central city area has been recommended by the Wilmington Planning Commission. The commission believes that parking should be limited to a 3-hour maximum. The commission also approved recommendations to grant the city authority to establish off-street market and parking facilities for the Farmers' Market now located on King Street.

**Columbus, Ohio**—City council has authorized a $4,000,000 bond issue for off-street parking facilities, in a move designed to initiate a test in the Ohio Supreme Court of the state-enabling legislation. The bond issue will be refused by City Auditor R. P. Barthalow, and a mandamus suit brought against him to compel him to issue the bonds. The bond issue would provide for 4,500 off-street parking spaces, according to William R. Morris, chairman of the Columbus Parking Commission. Private engineers are now making a survey and preparing plans, with private funds.

**Bonds for parking**—Bills giving North Carolina cities authority to issue bonds to provide off-street parking facilities were introduced into the North Carolina legislature Feb. 23 with the backing of the North Carolina League of Municipalities. The measures would give municipalities power to levy assessments and to use parking meter proceeds and fees collected to pay off bonds for the purpose. Authority to use condemnation proceedings if necessary to obtain property for parking purposes also would be granted. Special assessments



MOBILE ELEVATOR—A car is delivered to one of the ground floor stalls and the electric transfer carriage places the car on the parker, which rolls down the center corridor on rails, and is lifted to the proper level. G-E motors provide the power.




"PIGEON HOLE" PARKING—This two-row, four tier structure at Spokane, Wash., accommodates 142 cars. A G-E 30-hp open main hoist motor powers the mobile elevator, which picks up the car, rolls down the center corridor on rails, lifts the car to the proper level and deposits it in the desired pigeon hole. The hydraulic hoist-lift combination was constructed by the Peters Co., engineers, fabricators and manufacturers, of Portland, Ore. The installation was designed and is operated by Vaughn and Lea Sanders of Spokane under the name of Pigeon Hole Parking, Inc.

to provide revenues for paying of the bonds could be levied against the owners of property benefiting from establishment of the parking facilities.

**Seattle, Wash.**—City council has delayed action until May 14 on the proposal of City Engineer R. W. Finke to limit two streets through the central business district to one-way traffic. Opponents of the plan asked the delay in order to draw up a possible alternate plan. Some of the strongest opposition came from the Seattle Transit System, which declared the changeover would cost it $100,000.

**Chicago, Ill.**—A fanciful plan to park 8,464 of the cars which enter the Chicago Loop area daily has been devised by a member of the "Chicago Daily News" Staff, who has visualized a parking area above the Chicago River. The parking ramp would extend from Madison Street, on the south branch of the river around to the Outer Drive bridge, where the river meets the lake. The ramp would be one and three-eighths miles in length, 205 ft in width and, provided a vertical lift were used, would accommodate the 8,464 cars. The city would charge parking tolls to liquidate construction costs. It is contended that the air rights over the river belong to the city. Owners of abutting property must file suits for damages. The ramp would be high enough not to interfere with navigation.

**Phoenix, Ariz.**—A $3,000,000 combination underground garage and department store is to be built here. It will be the property of the city with Landrum and Mills Realty Co., the leasors. The company will construct the building and pay the city $30,000 annually over the next 50 years for lease of the city-owned land. Building priority is requested from NPA on the basis that the garage could be used as a bomb shelter. Landrum & Mills will lease the two-story department store to J. C. Penney Co. Inc., for 3% of net retail sales, or $60,000 annually.

The three-story, 437-car garage will be rented by System Auto Parks & Garages, Inc., of Los Angeles. The lease is for $50,000 per year or a percentage of receipts, whichever is higher. The garage will pay 50% of gross parking fees, one cent per gallon on gas sold on the premises, five cents for each quart of oil, 5% of gross sales of tires, accessories, specialties or parts, and 10% of all gross from washing, lubricating, greasing, and miscellaneous service or goods.

The parking area will be used by the public but Penney's may work out a customer service at either reduced rates or no charge. Milton Anderson of Los Angeles is the architect.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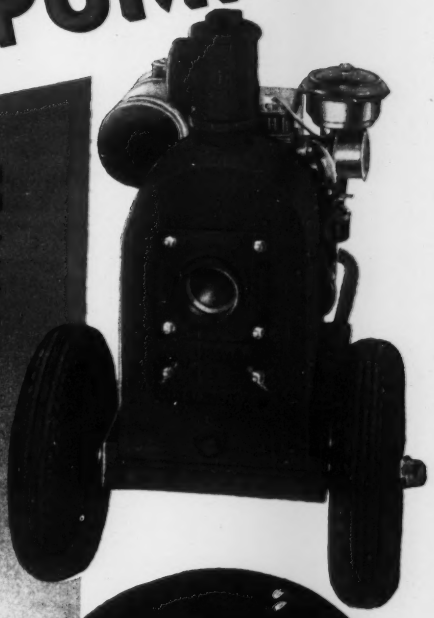

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**C. L. Ellington,** acting Asst. Secondary roads engineer, Virginia.

**D. D. Forgey,** dist. engineer at Seattle, Wash. State Highway Dept.

**D. W. Stehley,** locating dept., 4th Div. N. C. Highway Commission at Wilson.

**R. H. Albrecht,** supt. of public works, Hamilton, N. Y., joins engineering dept. E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co., Wilmington, Del.

**N. A. Thomson,** Nacogdoches County engineer, Texas highway dept.

**C. B. Patton, Jr.,** and **J. E. Higgins,** bridge dept., N. C. highway commission, Raleigh.

Changes, Illinois State Highway Dept., **V. L. Glover,** head Bureau of Administrative Service; **E. L. Sheretz,** engineer of design; **J. D. Lindsay,** head Bureau of Materials; **A. L. Kukral,** head urban expressways engineers.

Alabama highway dept., **W. G. Pruett,** director; **A. R. Harvey,** office engineer; **J. W. Hart,** head, planning survey; **G. W. Phillips,** maintenance engineer; **Marvin Taylor,** construction engineer; **S. W. Harbin,** survey and plans; **I. B. Rutledge,** engineer, county aid; **J. L. Land,** materials and tests; **J. W. Chambers,** bridge engineer; **G. R. Edwards,** equipment.

**R. A. Haber,** acting chief engineer, Delaware State Highway Dept.

**The Wigton-Abbott Corp. engineers and contractors of Plainfield, N. J., has appointed James F. Smythe, former assistant to the head of design and construction for Ebasco Services, Inc., to the position of contracting engineer. A graduate of the University of Cincinnati, Mr. Smythe has been with Air Reduction Co., Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co., State Highway Commission of Indiana and American Airlines. During World War II, he served as a Coast Artillery officer.**

## Government agencies

Brazos River Conservation and Reclamation Dist., Tex., board members, **J. H. Kultgen, G. C. Roane, H. J. Cureton, Jr., Fred Brown, J. E. Ward, J. Secrut** and **W. H. Wilson.**

Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, Tex., board members, **T. A. McDonald, H. A. Wagenfeuhr** and **V. E. Heard.**

Atomic Energy Commission, **W. R. Dickinson,** resident engineer, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

**J. R. Barnes** is in Washington, D. C. participating in the management and operation program of the Div. of Water and Power of the Dept. of the Interior.

## Municipal and county

**R. K. Genthner,** public works supervisor, Canandaigua, N. Y.

**T. C. Robinson,** city engineer, Georgetown, S. C.

**W. R. LaDue,** civil defense director (water supply) Akron, Ohio.

**A. E. Lloyd** and **G. C. Love,** municipal public works dept., Durham, N. C. leaves granted for Army service.

**W. A. Ward,** Asst. city engineer, Rocky Mount, N. C.

**J. S. Goodman,** asst. city engineer, Wilson, N. C.

**Edward Dunn,** public health engineer, Winston- Salem, N. C.

## Resignations

**L. T. Keefe,** dir. Toledo-Lucas County, Ohio, plan commission, to become planning engineer at Portland, Ore.

**J. R. McKinney,** Idaho commissioner of highways and public works, July 1.

**E. P. Hale,** public health engineer, Winston-Salem, N. C., to become partner in the Sta-Right Septic Tank Co.

**Leonard G. Haeger,** asst. dir. Div. of Housing Research, Housing and Home Finance Agency, to join staff of National Assn. of Home Builders.

**M. C. Lorenz,** asst. chief, Supply & Procurement div., St. Louis dist. Corps of Engineers, to become director, Processes div., Evaluation dept. U. S. Naval Civil Engineering Research and Evaluation Laboratory, Port Hueneme, Calif.

**Benjamin Schwartz,** dir. public works, Jamestown, N. Y., to work for the state.

**C. A. Stoldt has taken over the high command of the Oklahoma state highway department, succeeding State Highway Director H. E. Bailey who resigned to become manager of the Turner Turnpike being constructed to link Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Stoldt, a civil engineer for 25 years, resigned as project manager of the Arnold engineering center being built at Tullahoma, Tenn., by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.**

## Retirements

**L. M. Huggins,** dist. engineer, U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, Boise, Idaho, 33 years.

**C. L. Torey,** secy.-treas., Brookfield Construction Co., Halifax, N. S. 50 years.

**Robt. F. Olds,** chief of Div. of Operations, in the office of the Div. Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Dept. of Army, Portland, Ore.

## Business changes

**A. Wilson Knecht,** partner, Seelye, Stevenson & Value, consulting engineers, 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

**A. G. Wyatt and Associates** have moved their offices to 406 Oak St., Columbus 15, Ohio.

**Macklin and Stinson,** architects and engineers, have removed their offices to 639-A West Fifth St., Winston-Salem, N. C.

## Honors

**David B. Steinman,** bridge engineer has been awarded membership in the Society of Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific society. He also receives the Egleston Medal for 1951, having been chosen for the honor by the Columbia Engineering School Alumni Association.

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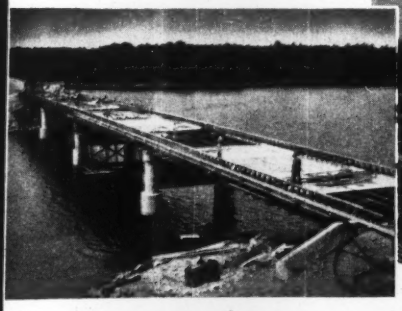

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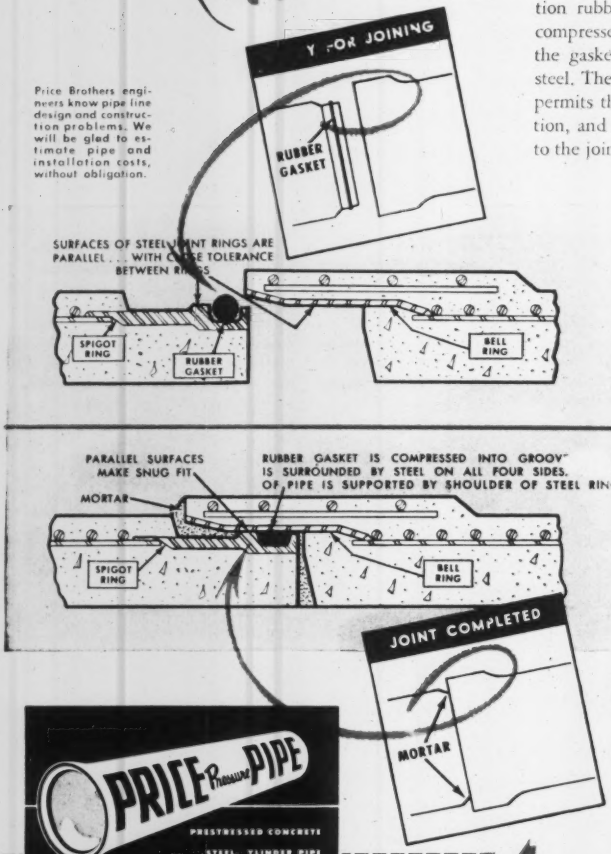
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# EDUCATION, RESEARCH

## MIT to hold conference on prestressed concrete

Preliminary plans for a national conference on prestressed concrete, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology from Aug. 14 to 16, next, have been announced by Prof. Walter H. Gale, Director of Summer Session.

The conference, in which three MIT departments will be associated, will have the sponsorship of a number of professional societies. Its purpose will be to consider questions which must be answered before the use of prestressed concrete can be extended fully in American construction practice.

Three topics will form the base for discussion during the meeting:

1. Present and possible future applications of prestressed concrete construction.
2. Manufacture and construction, including materials, techniques, and costs.
3. Problems in research and design presented by the use of prestressed concrete.

Emphasis will be on problems of design and construction practice in the United States and the relation of these to practices already adopted in other countries. Following are among the questions to be considered: In what immediate specific applications may prestressed concrete effectively supplement or supplant ordinary reinforced concrete? What will be the most economical mix designs, and what type of prestressing steel is best employed? What construction methods for prestressing are available, and what are the advantages and disadvantages of each? How may the European methods of construction be adapted for use in this country? What are the problems peculiar to the use of prestressed concrete in the United States? What (if any) modifications should be made in European methods of design as adapted for use here? What about a design code for prestressed concrete?

The conference will be under the direction of Prof. Myle J. Holley, Jr., of the MIT department of civil and sanitary engineering, and Prof. Howard Simpson of the department of building engineering and construction.

## Brief news of education and research

**Seabee school**—A Construction Battalion Reserve school, offering 2-week courses to officer and enlisted reservists, has been set up at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Ill., the Navy has announced. Classes will convene every three weeks under the management control of the Bureau of Naval Personnel. Enlisted men will be trained in the construction specialization ratings of steelworker, construction driver, construction electrician's mate, utilities man, surveyor, builder and construction mechanic. Naval Reserve Civil Engineer Corps officers will be instructed in their administrative, technical and engineering specializations.

**Civils well paid**—All engineering graduates of the January class at the Illinois Institute of Technology are at work. Average starting salary is $290 a month, but civil engineers are getting most—$306, as compared with electrical $282, chemical $294, mechanical and industrial $286.

**Industrial hygiene**—The University of Washington has established an industrial hygiene and air pollution service, known as the Environmental Research Laboratory, to serve industries and cities of the state. First client will be Seattle, which has approved a $7,500 appropriation for a study of air pollution. Findings of the study will serve as a basis for a city ordinance to control air contamination. Dr. Leon Sealey is director of the service.

**Coating materials**—Engineering Research Council, University of Detroit, Mich., is carrying out special experiments to develop coating materials for use in basements to prevent dampness from water leakage. Charles Duncombe, chairman, says some solutions offer promise of good results but more information is required. In sandy sections the problem of damp cellars is more acute. The immediate objective is a complete laboratory facility with standard procedure enabling a thorough test of proposed coating materials. Concrete Products Association of Detroit, Martin Bergen, Inc., and Truscon Laboratories, Inc., are cooperating in this work.

**Open house**—A decade of advancement in engineering and science was revealed to the public when the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn opened its laboratories and shops to visitors recently for the first time in ten years. The public was invited to inspect the

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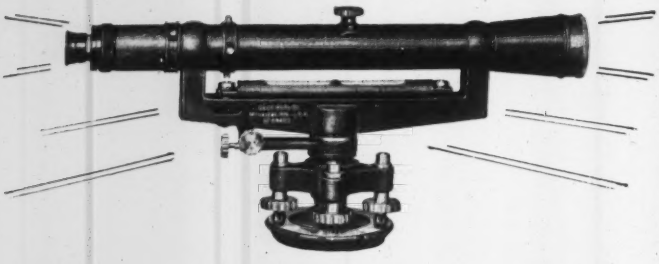

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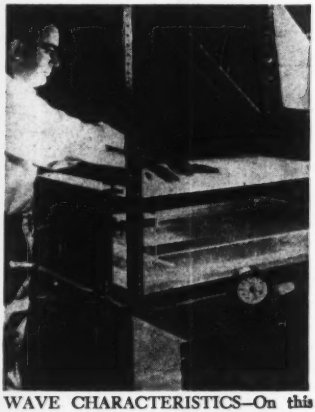
**Architectural structures**—In amplification of the notice about the American consulting engineer, J. J. Polivka, (ENR March 1, page 52) he is lecturer on architectural structures in the department of art and architecture, Stanford University. He did experimental stress analysis by photoelasticity on Podolsko Bridge, Central Europe. Until 1944 he was research associate in civil engineering, the University of California, Berkeley. He did essential engineering for the war industry, and he has done structural engineering work for postwar projects, such as prestressed concrete structures on the new Pier 57, N. Y. City (for E. H. Praeger); Guggenheim Museum, N. Y.; Johnson's Research Tower, Racine, Wis. (both of the latter for Frank Lloyd Wright). With Wright as architect, he submitted to Dolwig's legislative committee, California, a proposal for a new San Francisco Bay crossing.



**WAVE CHARACTERISTICS—On this** wave research machine Leon Pocinki of the research division, New York University College of Engineering, prepares to make a photograph of wave patterns set up in a lucite tank filled with water. The research is sponsored by the Beach Erosion Board. A special vibrator mechanism produces ripples in the water and the shadows fall onto a ground glass where a piece of sensitized photographic paper is exposed. The large mirror is for viewing the patterns which are also being studied with regard to light and sound wave analogies. Small models representing sand bars, canyons and underwater formations, are inserted into the tank in order to evaluate the effect of such conditions on shape and intensity of waves.

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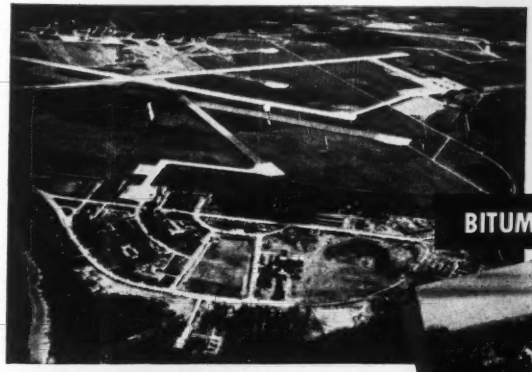

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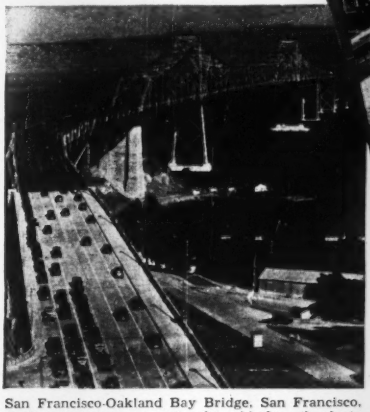

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## MEETINGS

New officers of the Associated General Contractors of Idaho are: C. B. Lauch, president; Wallace B. Curtis, vice-president, J. T. R. McCorkle, manager, and L. D. Robbins, secretary-treasurer; and William Gramkow, Jr. director.

Walter S. Johnson, Niagara Falls, has been elected president of the New York State Association of Home Builders.

A. D. Wylie, Hamilton, Ont., has been elected president of the National Concrete Products Association of Canada. The organization reported 40 new members in the year, and rapid expansion of the use of concrete products and machinery. W. C. Coupland, Toronto, was elected first vice-president; G. Fraser, Windsor, second vice-president, and R. Cooper, Toronto, secretary-treasurer.

The Association of Professional Engineers of New Brunswick has voted to support all efforts of the dominion council to create standard and uniform qualifications for professional registration of engineers in all provinces. President of the association is J. H. Moore, vice-president, R. M. Richardson.

Virgil E. Gundlock, commissioner of subways and superhighways for Chicago has been elected president of the Illinois State Society of Professional Engineers and A. D. Spicer, vice-president. Prof. Harold E. Babbitt, division of sanitary engineering, civil engineering department, University of Illinois was re-elected secretary and was presented with the Illinois award for his 26 years of service in this capacity.

The Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission at a meeting with industrial management representatives elected Clarence W. Klassen, chief sanitary engineer of Illinois, chairman, and E. Blackburn Moore of Virginia vice-chairman. It also adopted bacterial-quality objectives for the Ohio River on water supply and recreational uses, and authorized study of treatment needs.

George D. Auchter is the president of the Jacksonville, Fla., Construction Employers Association for 1951. Other officers are T. E. Satchwell, Jr., vice-president; George A. Babcock, secretary, and James S. Graham, treasurer. The council was organized last fall to bring general and sub-contractors together for the purpose of stabilizing labor conditions. The council succeeded in setting up a cost-of-living wage scale with adjustments each six months if there should be a 5% change in the cost of living index.

Joe E. Borg has been elected president of the Engineers Club of Des Moines, Iowa. Elected vice-presidents were: Carroll L. Johnson, Homer T. Boone and Frank E. Baird. Marshall H. Paige was named secretary-treasurer.

New president of the Tacoma Engineers at Tacoma, Wash., is Clyde E. Murray. Walter S. Gordon is first and Col. E. P. Antonovich second vice-president, with Harold Hagestad as secretary treasurer, and Lewis E. Jeklin executive member.

A. L. R. Sanders, chief engineer for Hazelet and Erdal, Chicago consulting bridge engineers, has been elected president of the Illinois section, American Society of Civil Engineers. Other officers are: H. F. Peckworth, Batavia, director of the American Concrete Pipe Association, first vice-president; F. W. Edwards, head of the civil engineering department at the Illinois Institute of Technology, second vice-president.

W. H. Laughlin, Toronto consulting engineer, has been elected president of the Ontario Association of Professional Engineers, representing 12,000 Ontario engineers. He is a member of the firm of Proctor, Redfern and Laughlin, Toronto. O. D. Johnston, Toronto, was elected first vice-president; J. H. Smith, Toronto, second vice-president. Col. T. D. Medland continues as executive director, and Col. J. M. Muir as secretary and registrar, with offices at Toronto.

The Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers elected Frederick T. Agthe, Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., president; Richard C. Clark, La Crosse, first vice-president; W. G. Younquist, Madison, secretary, and Lloyd M. Schendler, Appleton.

Charles H. Bechert is chairman of the Indiana section of the AWWA; O. A. Newquist, vice-chairman; G. F. Fassnocht, secretary-treasurer; E. F. Kinney, director.

Ray Gart is president of the A.G.C. of Missouri; Frank E. Rolfe, vice-president; J. M. Joyce, treasurer; and E. C. L. Wagner, secretary-manager.

J. Chandler Eakes of Sanford is president of the North Carolina Society of Surveyors succeeding A. B. Hafer.


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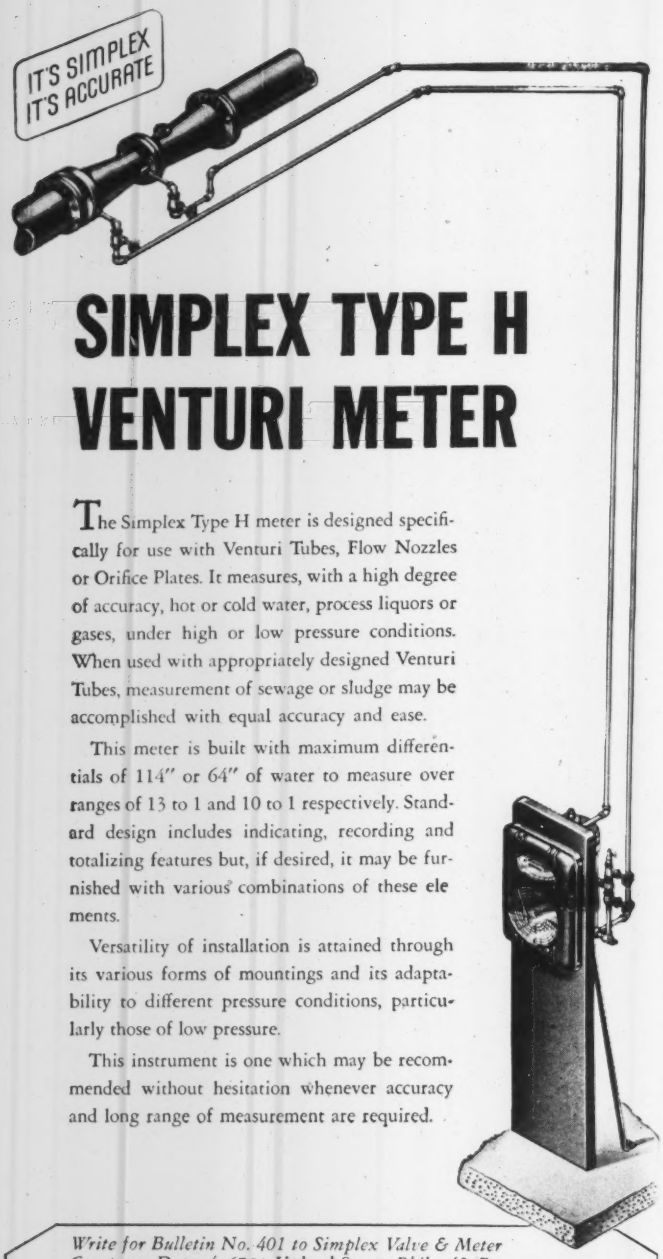


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Robert B. Rice of Raleigh is president of the North Carolina Chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers succeeding M. Frank Wooten, Jr. Other officers: Carl W. Mengel vice-president of the Eastern District; W. F. Freeman vice-president of the Western District; John R. Gowe, re-elected secretary; and T. C. Browne, re-elected treasurer. Carl F. Olson and James A. Loughlin were elected governors for the Eastern District; T. C. Heywood and M. Frank Wooten, Jr., governors for the Western District; J. M. Field national delegate; and M. E. Beatty state delegate from the South Piedmont Chapter, and also a member of the board of directors.

The Constructors Association of Western Pennsylvania has elected John E. O'Leary, president, Frank O. Patterson vice-president of the highway division, Howard H. Sturdy vice-president of the Heavy Division, Dan Dinardo reelected treasurer, William R. McQuade secretary and James A. Nardulli assistant secretary.

## CALENDAR

**American Water Works Associations,** annual conference, Miami, Fla., April 29-May 4.

**Materials Handling Exposition and Conference,** International Amphitheater, Chicago, Ill., April 30-May 4.

**California Sections American Society of Civil Engineers** The Ahwahnee, Yosemite National Park, Calif., May 3-5.

**N. Y. State Society of Professional Engineers,** Silver Anniversary, Hotel Statler, N. Y. City, May 10-12.

**Building Officials Conference of America,** King Edward Hotel, Toronto, Ont., May 14-17.

**Society for Experimental Stress Analysis,** spring meeting, Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D. C., May 16-18.

**Pacific Northwest Sewage Works Assn.,** Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver, B. C., May 17-19.

**Pacific Northwest Section, AWWA,** Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver, B. C., May 17-19.

**Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers,** Americus Hotel, Allentown, Pa., May 18-19.

**Canadian Section, AWWA,** Royal Alexandria Hotel, Winnipeg, Man., May 21-23.

**New England and New York Sewage Works Associations,** spring meeting, Hotel Kimball, Springfield, Mass., June 7-8.

**President's Highway Safety Conference,** Washington, D. C., week of June 10.

**National Society of Professional Engineers,** annual meeting, Nicolet Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn., June 13-16.

**American Congress on Surveying and Mapping,** annual meeting, Hotel Shoreham, Washington, D. C., June 18-20.

## OBITUARY

**Charles Waldmann,** 55, director of development, Chicago Housing Authority, died April 3. He helped choose sites for 12 proposed public housing projects. He was graduated from the Royal University, Budapest in civil engineering. He had served as chief engineer and technical director of American Community Builders, Inc., on the new suburban town of Park Forest, near Chicago.

**Elmer L. Ferguson,** 63, Ft. Worth, Tex., died March 28. He was past president of the Ft. Worth Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He was formerly chief of the engineering section of the Federal Works Agency at Ft. Worth, and latterly was an engineer in the Community Facilities Service.

**William Henry Code,** 85, chief irrigation engineer for the Indian Bureau of the U. S. Department of the Interior (1902-1911) and who did work on canal and irrigation projects for both the federal government and for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, died in Los Angeles recently. At one time he served on the advisory board of engineers for Los Angeles in the matter of disposition of surplus waters from the Owens River Aqueduct.

**Hiram T. Horton,** 63, of Valparaiso, Ind., died April 3. He had been director of the Chicago Bridge and Iron Co. and had charge of its erection activities from 1912 to 1929, except for a period as an Army pilot during World War I. He served as a transport commander in World War II.

**Luis G. G. Williams,** 73, Mexican civil engineer, oldest builder of lighthouses for the Marine Ministry, and dean of the Mexican Contractors Association, died in Mexico City recently. He had served the ministry for 50 years.

**Carlos C. Ordozkoiti,** 72, Mexican civil engineer who specialized in irrigation and was formerly chief of the Ministry of Agriculture's irrigation department, died in Mexico City recently.

**John S. Dean,** 69, who retired in 1949 as engineer of water works construction, died April 6 in Chicago. He worked 44 years for the city water department, starting two years after his graduation from the University of Wisconsin.


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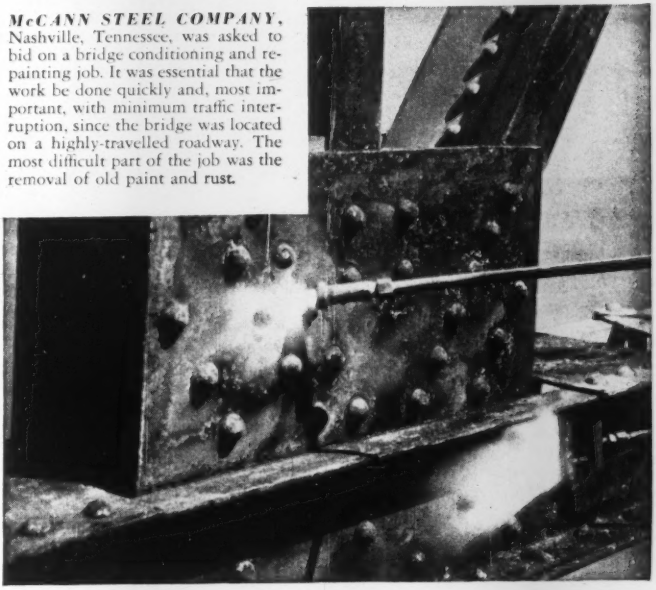

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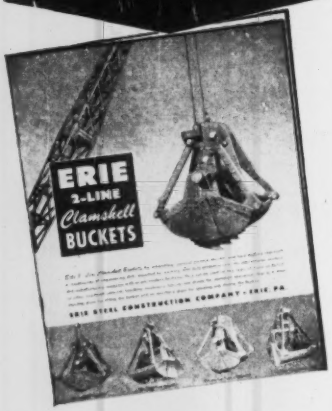


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# UNIT PRICES BID BY CONTRACTORS

## Housing, streets for government camp, Alaska

The contract for the construction of 12 residences, 2 garages, streets and utilities at Eklutna Government Camp, Eklutna Project, Alaska, was awarded to the low bid of $482,377 by the Bureau of Reclamation on March 1, 1951. The low bid was 1% below the only other bid presented and 29% above the engineer's estimate.

Eklutna Camp is located approximately 33 miles northeast of Anchorage and 14½ miles south of Palmer, Alaska. Housing to be built consists of six 3-bedroom and six 2-bedroom residences of wood frame construction with basement and attached 1-car garage. Each home will be equipped with plumbing, heating, electrical installations and insulated walls.

Two 10-car garages, water distribution and sewerage systems, streets, sidewalks, gutters and driveways will also be constructed. All materials except the water supply pump and suction pipe must be furnished by the contractor.

The work must be completed within 260 calendar days. A penalty of $50 per day will be imposed upon the contractor for each day's delay. Minimum wage rates are: building laborers, $2.435; carpenters, $2.84; cement finishers, $2.85; electricians, $3.10; painters, $2.85-$3.35; plasterers, $3.07; and power operators, $2.67-$3.27.

Bidders included:

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|---|---|
| 1 Morrison-Knudson Co., Inc. & Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., Anchorage, Alaska (Contract) | $482,377 |
| 2 Denali Const. Co., Inc., Anchorage | 487,371 |
| Engineer's estimate | 374,298 |

| Items | Quantity | Unit prices 1 | 2 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Excavation, general | 23,500 cy | $1.05 | $1.42 |
| For structures | 5,800 cy | 1.05 | 1.23 |
| Rolling embankmt | hrs | 170 | 12.10 | 22.00 |
| Compact backfill | 470 cy | 3.80 | 4.70 |
| Excav & backfill: | | | |
| Water pipe trnch | 3,900 lf | 1.85 | 1.67 |
| Sewer p trench 5-8' deep | 1,360 lf | 1.40 | 1.70 |
| 4-9', less 10' | 930 lf | 2.40 | 1.80 |
| 10-14' | 190 lf | 3.80 | 2.00 |
| Place gravel | 90 cy | 6.20 | 8.00 |
| Laying corrugated metal pipe, 18" | 34 lf | 6.50 | 8.50 |
| 24" | 64 lf | 9.75 | 12.00 |
| Construct guardrail | 170 lf | 3.40 | 4.40 |
| Conc in sidewk, gutter, walks, floor slabs in residence | 275 cy | 60.00 | 70.00 |
| In structures | 480 cy | 150.00 | 102.00 |
| Handling cement | 1,080 bbl | 10.60 | 11.40 |
| Reinf bars, fabric, place | 30,000 lb | 0.20 | 0.29 |
| Construct: | | | |
| 6–2 bedrm residen | ls | ..... | 97,500 | 115,818 |
| 6–3 bedrm residen | ls | ..... | 108,460 | 126,231 |
| 2–10 car garages | ls | ..... | 14,300 | 17,548 |
| Pump & chlorination house | ls | ..... | 1,955 | 1,584 |
| Lay: | | | |
| Fittings for watermains & 6" cast-iron water pipe | 3,000 lf | 15 30 | 8.50 |
| Galvanix-steel service p, ¾" | 540 lf | 2.85 | 0.65 |
| 1" | 250 lf | 3.50 | 0.74 |
| Install: | | | |
| Lead gooseneck & ¾" service connection | 12 ea | 25.00 | 23.00 |
| 1" | 10 ea | 27.90 | 28.00 |
| Serv-box assembly & ¾" surb stop | 12 ea | 21.00 | 24.00 |
| 1" | 10 ea | 27.80 | 28.00 |
| Fire hydr assembl | 4 ea | 627.00 | 600.00 |
| 6" gate valve & vlv box assembly | 7 ea | 314.00 | 128.00 |
| Water pump, suction pipe, controls | 1,300 lb | 3.50 | 0.60 |
| Chlorination equip | ls | ..... | 1,950 | 2,200 |
| Lay fitting for sewer line & 4" vit claypipe | 1,100 lf | 3.35 | 3.00 |
| 8" | 1,450 lf | 6.40 | 6.00 |
| Cast-iron manhl frame & cover, misc metal-wk, instal | 3,600 lb | 0.70 | 0.35 |
| Misc metal p, valve, fittings, i | 4,000 lb | 1.50 | 0.45 |
| Lay 6" vit clay pipe & Fittings with cem joints for drain line | 340 lf | 4.85 | 5.25 |
| Fittings with open joints | 80 lf | 3.85 | 5.00 |
| Sewer manhl, constr | ls | ..... | 4,930 | 5,100 |
| Place gravel or crush rock for base course & shoulder | 655 cy | 5.20 | 5.60 |
| For surface crse | 320 cy | 6.85 | 5.00 |
| Watering base crs | 90,000 gal | 12.50 | 7.70 |
| Apply asph matl for prime coat | 1,700 gal | 0.70 | 1.00 |
| For surface crs | 6,600 gal | 0.70 | 1.00 |
| For seal coat | 1,070 gal | 0.70 | 1.10 |
| Rolling surface crse, mix & finish | 5,800 sy | 0.20 | 0.50 |
| Apply coarse sand for seal coat | 155 cy | 8.60 | 15.60 |
| Stock-piling: | | | |
| Gravel or crushed rock for surf crs | 80 cy | 5.70 | 3.30 |
| Coarse sand for seal coat | 40 cy | 5.00 | 5.50 |

## Concrete piles, footings, South Carolina hospital

Five bids, 130% apart, were received by the Board of Trustees of the Medical College of the State of South Carolina at Charleston, S. C., March 2, 1951 for the construction of cast in place concrete piles and reinforced concrete foundations for the new twelve story teaching hospital in Charleston. The low bid of $543,543 was 7.7% below the second low bid. Dotterer Engineering Co. of Charleston is the engineer.

Materials to be used on the job include: 2,006 80 ft cast in place piles, 160,480 lin ft; 167,500 lbs of reinforced steel; and 2,080 cu yds of concrete footing. The work must be completed within 120 calendar days. Minimum wage rates are: common labor, $0.90; carpenters, reinforcing iron workers and pile driving workers, $1.75; power operators, $2.25.

The bids on this project were presented in lump sum. The following unit price schedule is for unknown quantities which may have to be added or deducted from the work.

Bidders included:

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 Charleston Constructors, Inc., Charleston (Contract) | $543,543 |
| 2 C. Y. Thomason & Co., Charleston | 585,844 |
| 3 I. B. Miller Contracting Corp., Astoria, N. Y. | 1,249,650 |

| Items | Unit prices 1 | 2 |
|---|---|---|
| Add 80' pile | ea | $214.50 | $225.00 |
| Omit 80' pile | ea | 156.00 | 155.00 |
| Add per lin ft extra | lf | 5.06 | 3.90 |
| Deduct per lin ft omitted | lf | 1.75 | 1.00 |
| Add for extra concrete | cy | 33.00 | 45.00 |
| Deduct for omitted conc | cy | 16.70 | 35.10 |
| Add for extra reinf steel in place | lb | 0.14 | 0.05 |
| Deduct for reinf steel omitted | lb | 0.08 | 0.11 |

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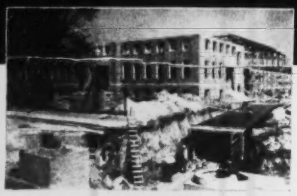

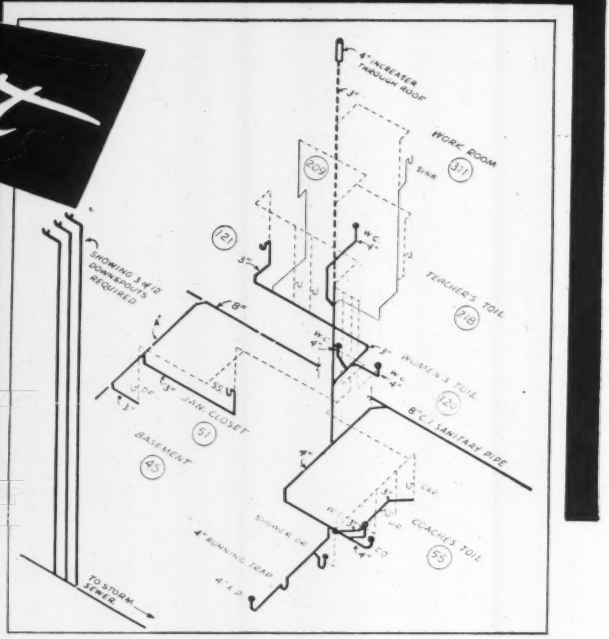

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- ENGINEERS: Samuel Reiewis & Associates
- PLUMBING CONTRACTOR: Robert E. Murphy

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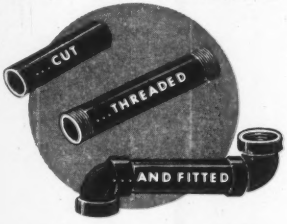


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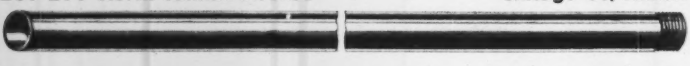

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## NEW ENGLAND

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Maine**—B.A. 5/1—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 2316, Boston, Zone 7, maintenance dredging in Weymouth Fore River, CIVENG 19-016-51-39.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Conn., Wallingford**—GENERATOR, etc.—B.A. About 5/1—Town, Bd. Selectmen, generator bldg. and power plant. $50,000. CD 4/5/49.

**Mass., Stoneham**—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/3—New England Sanatarium & Hospital, 5 Woodland Rd., hospital addn., Woodland Rd. $800,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 9/19.

### SOON LETS CONTRACT—BUILDINGS

**Mass., Worcester**—SERVICE—Cambridge Gas Light Co., 719 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, soon lets contract, 2 story, 80x100 ft., brick, cinder block, rein.-con. service bldg., Quinsigamond Ave. $82,000. John ^R. Abbot, 1278 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, archt.

**R. I., Westerly**—CHURCH—Central Baptist Church, 14 Elm St., soon lets contract church. $300,000. CD 3/27.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Wes-Julian Constr. Corp.,** 850 Boston Providence Hy., Dedham, Mass. Low Bidder. $141,561. sewer, AUGUSTA, ME. City, Pub. Wks. Dpt., City Hall, Augusta, Me. Metcalf & Eddy, 1300 Statler Bldg., Boston, Mass., engrs.

▲ **Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp.,** 17 Battery Pl., New York, N. Y., Low Bidder, $1,499,017, bridge substructure over Merrimac River at Newburyport and Amesbury; **Harris Structural Steel Co.,** 419 4 Ave., New York, N. Y., $2,795,639, bridge superstructure over Merrimac River at Newburyport and Amesbury, MASSACHUSETTS. Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston, Mass. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/14.

**C. L. Guild Constr. Co.,** 94 Water St., East Providence, R. I. Low Bidder, $144,880, pumping station near Watchemoket Cove, EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I. Town, East Providence Sewer Comn., Town Hall, East Providence, R. I. Bids April 2. CD 3/20.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲ **Volpe Constr. Co.,** 54 Eastern Ave., Boston, Mass. and **Farina Bros., Inc.,** 61 Bridge St., Boston, Mass. Low Bidder. $8,000,000. BARRACKS SCHOOL and DORMITORIES, at Limestone Air Base, LIMESTONE, ME. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 2316, Boston, 7, Mass. CD 11/17.

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**New Jersey**—HIGHWAY LIGHTING, etc.—B. A. 5/2—R. J. Abbott, comr., State Hy. Dpt., State Hy. Office Bldg., Trenton, installing highway lighting and sign sys. on Route 4 Parkway, Sects. 1 and 2, from Route 25 in New Brunswick Ave., Woodbridge Twp., Middlesex Co. Plans deposit $10.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Gus Weinberger,** 231 Oak St., Old Forge, Pa. Low Bidder. $115,300. water supply sys. imprvs. at Clarks Summit State Hospital, CLARKS SUMMIT, PA. Dpt. Property & Supplies, 1400 N. 9 St., Harrisburg, Pa. Bids April 11. CD 3/28.

**Brotherton Constr. Co.,** 1025 S. 21 St., Harrisburg, Pa. Low Bidder. $184,020, est. $250,000. indoor swimming pool at Pennsylvania Soldiers' Orphan School, SCOTLAND, PA. General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, Pa. Bids April 11. CD 3/23.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

**Baton Constr. Corp.,** 1717 Sansom St., Phila., Pa. Low Bidder. $744,000, est. $700,000. addnl. sect. PHYSICAL EDUCATION bldg. at Pennsylvania State College, STATE COLLEGE, PA. General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, Pa. Bids April 11. CD 3/23.

## SOUTH

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **S. C. Charleston**—B.A. 5/1—Pub. Wks. Office, Sixth Naval Dist., Naval Base, repairs to water distr. sys., NAD, No. 28781.

**La., Covington**—B.A. 5/3—City, 15,000 lin. ft. sewer, mains, laterals and pumping stations, J. M. Fourmy, Hammond, engr.

† **Florida**—B.A. 5/8—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 497, Jacksonville, Structure S-39 in Hillsboro Canal, Deerfield Beach, CIVENG 08-123-51-58. Extended date.

† **Mississippi**—B.A. 5/8—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 60, Vicksburg, Steele Bayou channel imprv. Item St. 41, Mile 40.50 to Mile 42.30, Issaquena Co., CIVENG 22-052-51-161.

† **Tennessee**—B.A. 5/8—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 97, Memphis, Zone 1, construct Sect 1-D, Memphis, Wolf River and Nonconnah Creek, Tennessee Proj. incl. levees, reservoir construction and appurtenant structures, along left bank of Wolf River in northwest part of city of Memphis, Shelby Co., Inv. No. Serial No. CIVENG 40-041-51-121. Plans deposit $15.

**Fla., Miami**—B.A. 5/16—City c/o Div. Engineering Dinner Key, Miami, Fla., paving imprvs. in Dist. H-485, H-484, and H-486. Extended date. CD 3/11.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Ga., Douglas**—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/10—Coffee Co. hospital, $600,000. Wm. J. J. Chase & Assocs. 140 Peachtree St., Atlanta, archts. CD 10/6/49.

† **N. C., Camp Lejeune**—BUILDINGS—B.A. 5/14—Pub. Wks. Office, Bldg. No. 1005, Marine Barracks, erection, alteration one 40x100 ft. and one 20x48 ft., one 40x60 ft. and one 40x40 ft. Government furnished prefabricated steel bldgs., construct floors, aprons and fdns. for same, 10x20 ft. brick masonry bldg. with concrete floor and roof, construct 2 grease racks install all services, utilities necessary at Marine Barracks, Spec. No. 26930. Plans deposit $20.

**Tenn., Paris**—HOSPITAL—B.A. About 5/15—Henry Co., Paris, hospital. Approx. $300,000. J. Frazier Smith, Goodwyn Institute Bldg., Memphis, archt. CD 3/22.

**Tenn., Sewanee**—DORMITORY - DINING HALL—B.A. 5/17—University of the South, Sewanee, dormitory and dining hall. Approx. $300,000. Warren, Knight & Davis, Protective Life Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. archts. CD 3/23, under LB.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**F. D. Cline Construction Co., Inc.,** 6 E. Davie St., Raleigh, N. C. Low Bidder, $118,953, 75 mi. rural distr. lines, Hertford, Bertie and Northampton Counties, NORTH CAROLINA. Roanoke Electric Membership Corp., Rich Square, N. C. Bids April 5. CD 3/28.

† **Hugh McMath Constr. Co.,** Brennan Rd., Columbus Rd., Ga., Low Bidder, $909,645, concrete aprons at Warner Robins Air Force Base, MACON, GA. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 889, Savannah, Ga. Bids Apr. 6.

▲ **J. E. Milam,** 8940 1 Ave. S., Birmingham, Ala., Low Bidders, Bessemer Outfall Sewer and Sec. A-3, Village Creek Collecting Sewerage Sys.***C. E. Adams, 3700 10 Ave. N., Birmingham, Ala., $157,535, installing Homewood-Griffin Creek Sewer; **Michigan Sewer Constr. Co.,** 21720 W. 8 Mile Rd., Southfield, Detroit, Mich., $1,240,933 diversion tunnel***L. W. Wells Constr. Co., 1420 Miller St. Saginaw, Mich., $592,562, installing Sect. A-1, $909,439 Sect. A2 ***American Vitr. Products Co., National City Bank Bldg., Cleveland, O., $831,371 pipe & liner plate, Sect. A-1, $498,117 Sect. A-2, Village Creek Collecting Sewerage System, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. Jefferson Co., Court House, Birmingham, Ala. Bids April 3. CD 2/27.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲† **Worth D. Kenyon Constr. Co., Inc.,** Capital Club Bldg., Raleigh, N. C. Low Bidder, $1,212,625, temporary emergency BARRACKS, CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C. Pub. Wks. Office, Bldg. No. 1005, Marine Barracks, Camp Lejeune, N. C. Bids April 9. CD 3/13.

**State Bldg. Comn., Jackson, Miss.** rejected bids Apr. 4. stadium-dormitory at Mississippi Southern College, HATTIESBURG, MISS. L.B. $347,000. CD 4/12, under L.B.

**Pittman Contg. Co.,** 2925 Franklin Ave., New Orleans, La. Low Bidder. Est. $200,000, compounding PLANT near Southport, NEW ORLEANS, LA. International Lubricant Corp., Southport, La. Bids Mar. 26 CD 3/28.

**Polston & Robinson,** Lafayette, Tenn. Low Bidder, $379,651, HOSPITAL addn., MURFREESBORO, TENN., Rutherford Co., Murfreesboro, Tenn. Bids March 27.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Kelley Constr. Co.,** Clarksburg, W. Va., Contract Awarded $350,000. Phase 2 airport development, incl. exten. 1,200 ft. runway to 5,000 ft., HUNTINGTON, W. VA. Tri-State Airport Auth., c/o contractor, CD 1/14/47.

**Comrs. Pub. Wks.,** 14 George St., Charleston. Own Forces. $175,000. WW extens., incl. booster pump, storage tank and 8 in. mains, CHARLESTON, S. C. Francis B. McDowell, Jr., 14 George St., Charleston, S. C., engr.

† **Hayes Heating & Plumbing Co.,** Macon, Ga. Contract Awarded, $111,646, Inc. 52, replacing sections steam distr. sys., MACON, GA. Purchasing & Contg. Office Warner Robins Air Force Base, Macon, Ga.

**Red River Constr. Co.,** 2212 Hollywood Ave., Shreveport, La. Contract Awarded. $529,384. sewer and WW imprvs., BOSSIER CITY, LA. City, Bossier City, La. CD 4/9, under L.B.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ **Gill Constr. Co.,** Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Owner Builds. $2,000,000. 300 HOMES in Northwood Section, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA.

**Dye & Mullings, Inc.,** P. O. Box 485, Columbia, Miss. Contract Awarded. $889,689. LABORATORY SCHOOL—College of Education Bldg. at Louisiana State University, BATON ROUGE, LA. Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La. CD 4/11, under LB.

**Don V. Smith,** Vinton, La. Contract Awarded. $82,000. rice storage PLANT, VINTON, LA. Vinton Co-operative Drying Co., Vinton, La.

**Mason Co., Inc.,** c/o Faires & Sanford, archts., Falls Bldg., Memphis, Tenn. Owner Builds. Approx. $350,000. 56 HOMES in C. M. Kee subdivision, MEMPHIS, TENN.

**Southern Housing Co.** c/o Faires & Sanford, archts., Falls Bldg., Memphis, Tenn. Owner builds. 76 HOMES on Kansas Park sub-division, MEMPHIS, TENN.

**Tennessee Development Co.,** 240½ 4th Ave. N. Nashville, Tenn. Owner builds. $400,000. 100 RESIDENCES, Nolansville Rd., NASHVILLE, TENN.

## MIDDLE WEST

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Iowa**—B. A. 5/9—Soil Conservation Service, 434 N. Plankington Ave., Milwaukee, Wis., flood control works Habinck Minor-Watershed, Parts A and AB in Little Sioux Basin, near Mapleton, Monoma Co.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Mich., Ionia**—HOSPITAL—B. A. 5/2—State, A. N. Langius, dir. State Bldg. Dpt., Lansing, 2 story, rein.-con. men's tubercular and geriatric unit bldg., Ionia State Hospital. $700,000. H. E. Beyster Corp., Industrial Trust Bldg., Detroit, Zone 2, archts. CD 4/5.

**Ind., Gary**—SCHOOL—B. A. 5/22—School, City of Gary, 524 Garfield St., school, Jackson and 27 Sts., $450,000. Perkins & Wills, 309 Jackson St., Chicago, 6, Ill., archts. Beine, Hall & Curran, 607 Broadway, Gary, assoc. archts. CD 2/16.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Keeley Bros. Contg. Co.,** 4211 State St., East St. Louis, Ill. Low Bidder, $102,155, c. conc. paving 17 St., H. H. Hall Constr. Co., 211 S. 15 St., East St. Louis, Ill., $109,337, c. conc. paving 36 St., EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL. City, Alvin G. Fields, street comr., City Hall, East St. Louis, Ill. Bids Mar. 29.

▲ **Streu Constr. Co.,** Two Rivers, Wis., Low Bidder, $425,709, Contr. 1, c. conc. 8.406 mi. The Pittsville-Wisconsin Rapids Rd., S.T. Hys. 13 and 73. Proj. F 04-4(6), Wood Co., $599,305, Contrs. 1 and 3, c. conc. 13.606 mi. The Platteville-Lancaster Rd., S.T. Hys. 81 and 35 and U.D. Hy. 61, Proj.

### PROJECTS COVERED

#### *Projects—By Size*

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $34,000; other public works $60,000; industrial buildings $82,000; other buildings $300,000.

#### *Classes of Construction*

(Name in order of Listing)

| | |
|---|---|
| Water Supply | Latin America |
| Sewers, Waste Disposal | Public Buildings |
| Bridges | Commercial Buildings |
| Streets & Roads | Industrial Buildings |
| Earthwork, Waterways | Unclassified |

#### *Stages Reported*

PROPOSED WORK: Including appointment of engineers or architects.

BIDS ASKED (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues of ENR.

LOW BIDDERS: On jobs below $500,000 value all low bidder news will be the final reports published on the projects involved except where award is not made to the low bidder. In this case, a supplementary contract award report will be published.

CONTRACTS AWARDED: Except awards to low bidders previously reported in low bidder stage.

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#### *Symbols and Abbreviations Include:*

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| † | Federal Government |
| ▲ | Project of $1,000,000 or over. |
| B.A. | Bids Asked |
| ENR | Engineering News-Record |
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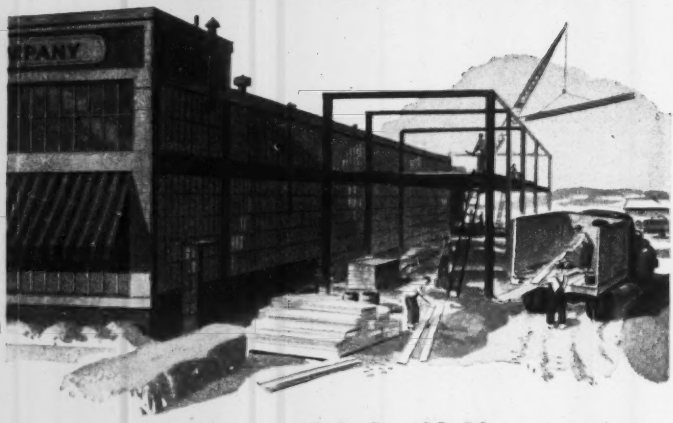

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S 010(4) and T 0801(3), Grant Co.***Lee H. Parker, Appleton, Wis., $238,346, Contr. 1, c. conc. 1.388 mi. The West Wisconsin Ave. (City of Appleton) and U.S.H. 41-Appleton (West Wisconsin Ave. Extn) Road, U.S. Hy. 10 and S.T. Hy. 96, Projs. U 4003 (2) and T 019-4 (2). Outagamie Co.***Murphy Constr. Co., Black Creek, Wis., $434,262, Contr. 2, b. conc. 18.191 mi. The Black Creek-North County Line and South County Line-Bonduel Road, S.T. Hys. 47 and 55, Projs. F 09-1 (2) and F 091 (19), Outgamie Co.***Mathy & Thornton Constr. Co., La Crosse, Wis., $328,541, Conts. 1-3 and 1, b. conc. 14.173 mi. The River Falls-Hudson and Hudson-Hammond Rds., S.T. Hy. 35 and U.S. Hy. 12, Proj. F 028 (2) (20) T 96-4(1) and T06-4(14), St. Croix Co., WISCONSIN, State Hy. Comn., Madison, Wis. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/21.

T. J. Vitcenda, Watertown, Wis. Low Bidder, $62,451, Contr. 1, Sellick Bridge and Approaches, The Fort Ville-Platteville Road, C. T. HY "B" Proj. S 020(3), Grant Co., WISCONSIN State Hy. Dpt., Madison Wis. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/21.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

L. & L. Service Co., 960 E. Center St., Milwaukee 12, Wis. Contract Awarded. $72,478, sewers in W. State St., MILWAUKEE, WIS. City, Milwaukee, Wis. Bids Apr. 5, awarded Apr. 9.

Badger Constr. Co., 229 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee 2, Wis. Contract Awarded. $113,906, paving W. Wisconsin Ave.; John C. Bluhm & Son, 6361 N. Lake Dr., Milwaukee, 11, Wis., $77,300, paving W. Douglas Rd., MILWAUKEE, WIS. City, Milwaukee, Wis. Bids Apr. 6, awarded Apr. 9.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

Leo Reuth & Sons, Inc., 1050 Cherry St., Hammond, Ind. Contract Awarded. $450,000, 3 story, bsmt. Morton High SCHOOL, 7040 Marshall Ave., HAMMOND, IND. School, City of Hammond, 5935 Hohman Ave., Hammond, Ind. Awarded Apr. 4. CD 4/4 under LB.

Tonyan Constr. Co., 100 Borden St., McHenry, Ill. Contract Awarded. $653,000. Township HIGH SCHOOL, ANTIOCH, ILL. School Dist. 117, Antioch, Ill. Bids Mar. 9. CD 3/27, under LB.

▲ Coath & Goss, 5103 W. Lake St., Chicago, 44, Ill. Contract Awarded. $1,226,580. GRADE SCHOOL, Lamon Ave., 46 and 47 Sts., CHICAGO, ILL. Bd. Educ., 228 N. La Salle St., Chicago, 1, Ill. CD 3/26, under LB.

Louis Rubin, 11 S. La Salle St., Chicago, 3, Ill. Contract Awarded. $375,000. 40,000 sq. ft. PLANT addn., CHICAGO, ILL. Standard Stamping & Perforating Co., 49 and Kedzie Sts., Chicago, Ill. Barancik & Conte, 919 N. Michigan St., Chicago, 11, Ill., archts. Awarded Apr. 2. CD 9/26/50, under CA.

Baker Bros., 225 W. 2 St., Kewanee, Ill. Contract Awarded. $440,000, 2 story, Wethersfield High SCHOOL, KEWANEE, ILL. School Dist. 230, Kewanee, Ill. Awarded Mar. 30. CD 2/23.

The Austin Co., 510 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 10, Ill. Contract Awarded. $150,000. sewage treatment pharmaceuticals installation for PLANT, KALAMAZOO, MICH. The Upjohn Co., 301 Henrietta Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich. Awarded Mar. 29. CD 3/26/47.

## WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Texas—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. 5/2—Fannin County Electric Co-operative, Inc., c/o G. C. Hall, pres., Bonham, 13.56 mi. conversion work and 196.44 mi. reinf. existing lines Fannin, Grayson, Hunt and Collin Counties. $130,000. Plans deposit $10. Freese & Nichols, 407 Danciger Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., engrs. CD 11/10/48.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

† N. M., Los Alamos—LABORATORY—B.A. 5/18—U. S. Atomic Energy Comn., Los Alamos, Laboratory TA-3 Proj. 1. Inv. No. 291, 51-91. $200,000-$300,000. Extended date. CD 3/30.

Tex., Houston—OFFICE—Bids Asked—Main-Tex Corp., Binz Bldg., demolition 12 story masonry type Binz Bldg. and erecting 2 story bsmt., office with concrete pier and beam fdn. for 12 story 101x104 ft. $600,000. Sidney H. Morris & Assoc., 134 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., archts. CD 1/30/50.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ City, City Hall, Dubuque, Ia., rejected bids, storm sewerage sys. incl. 52,400 lin. ft. 48- to 84-in. concrete pipe, DUBUQUE, IA. Est. $3,100,000. CD 3/29.

† Wright Bros. Electric Co., 405 Main St., San Antonio, Tex. Low Bidder, $60,494, underground electric sys. improvs., rehabilitation, Inv. No. E-41-133-51-135, FORT SAM HOUSTON (San Antonio), TEX. U. S. Govt. Purch. & Contg. Officers, Bldg. 370, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex. Bids April 10. CD 4/2.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† Russ Mitchell, Inc. and Bruce Constr. Co., 7421 Sylvania Station, Fort Worth, Tex. Contract Awarded. $2,198,312. power house and switch yard and other facilities at Whitney Dam and Reservoir Project, CIVENG 41-443-51-33, TEXAS. U. S. Eng., 1127 Texas and Pacific Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex. Bids Mar. 15. CD 3/20, under LB.

City, Big Spring, Tex. Own Forces. $75,000. WW rehabilitation unit, BIG SPRING, TEX. G. W. Dabney, city engr. CD 3/2.

City, Big Spring, Tex. Own Forces. $70,000. sanitary sewer line, BIG SPRING, TEX. G. W. Dabney, city engr. CD 3/5.

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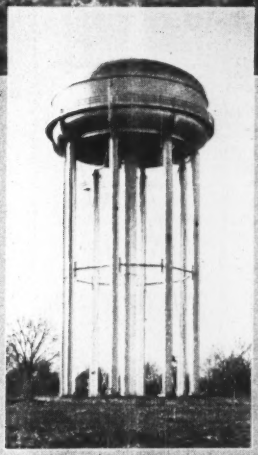

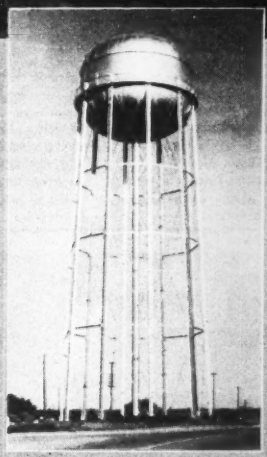

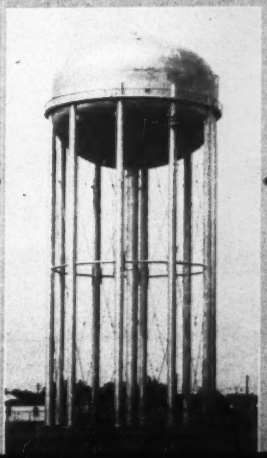

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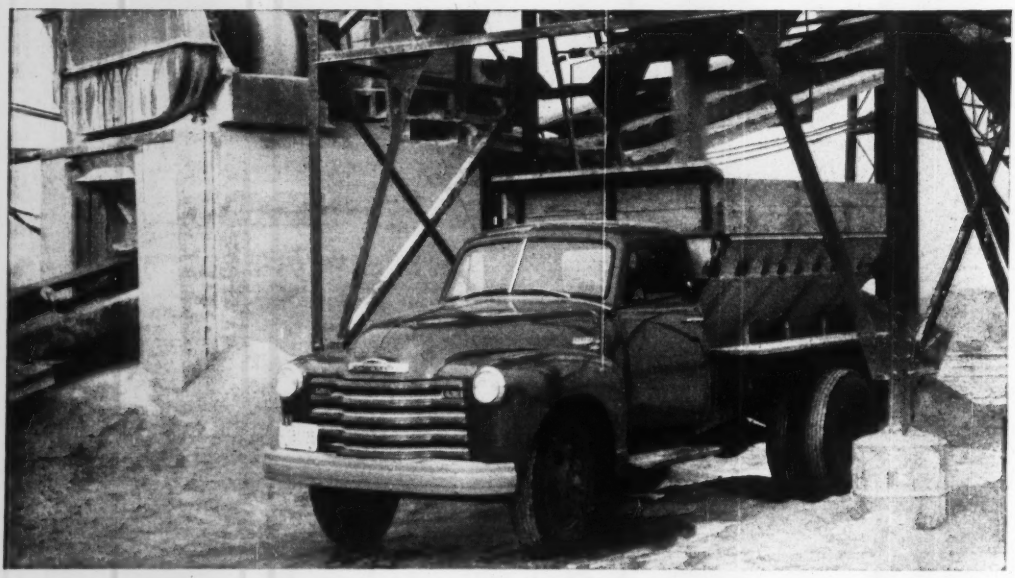

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City, Galveston, Tex. Purchase and Hire. $85,000. asph. type street paving, GALVESTON, TEX. George E. Harris, city engr.

City, Galveston, Tex. Purchase and Hire. $95,000. electric traffic control system units, GALVESTON, TEX. George E. Harris, city engr. CD 5/12.

City, Garland, Tex. Own Forces. $75,000. sanitary sewers; $50,000; sewage treatment plant, GARLAND, TEX. Homer A. Hunter, 4704 Greenville St., Dallas, Tex., engr. CD 9/27.

City, Sulphur Springs, Tex. Own Forces. $35,000. addnl. distribution lines, SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEX. CD 3/30.

City, Sulphur Springs, Tex. Own Forces. Approx. $60,000. addnl. sanitary sewer lines, SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEX. CD 3/30.

Etlin E. Peterson, Box 208, Casper, Wyo. Contract Awarded, $312,918, est. $345,622. bridge consisting 4 continuous deck girder spans 103 ft.-124 ft.-124 ft. 103 ft. across Green River, grading, draining, base course surf. oil tr. by road mix method and misc. work. 0.918 mi. Green River-Linwood Rd., F. A. Secondary Proj. S-264 (6) Sweetwater Co., WYOMING. State Hy. Comn., Cheyenne, Wyo. Bids April 6. CD 3/30.

Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., Box 875, Sheridan, Wyo. Contract Awarded. $273,681, est. $256,204, grading, curb, gutter, storm sewer base course surf. plant mix surf. course misc. work. 1.444 mi. Thermopolis Streets, Fed. Aid Proj. F 0169 (2) and F 213 (18) Combined, Hot Springs Co., WYOMING. State Hy. Comn., Cheyenne, Wyo. Bids April 6. CD 3/30.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

Thomas S. Byrne, 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex. Contract Awarded. $850,000. (plasma) medicinal PLANT, FORT WORTH, TEX. Armour & Co., North Fort Worth, Tex. Wyatt C. Hedrick, Inc., First Natl. Bank Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex., archt. CD 4/5.

## FAR WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Ore., Hood River—B.A. 5/1—Hood River Port Comn., Hood River, reconstruct Oregon approach to Hood River-White Salmon Bridge, Plans deposit $15. Tudor Eng. Co., 681 Market St., San Francisco, Calif., engr.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

Wash., Colville—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/2—Mount Carmel Hospital, Colville, 3 story, rein.-con. hospital, $700,000. J. P. O'Neill, Columbia Bldg., Spokane, Wash., archts. CD 11/3/50.

† Utah, Tooele—DECONTAMINATION, etc.—B.A. 5/8—U. S. Eng., 74 New Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif., decontamination bldg., field operations bldg., medical test laboratory, munitions storage bldg., explosive igloos, munitions cold storage bldg., plant growing bldg., warehouse, exposure bldg. and chemical laboratory, in area D; munitions assembly bldg., surveillance bldg., office and change house, warehouse, paint and repair shop, cold transfer and hoist station, defusing station and open transfer shed, in area C, Dugway Proving Grounds. CD 4/9.

† Utah, Tooele — COMMISSARY, etc. — B.A. 5/15 — U. S. Eng., 74 New Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif., commissary, post exchange, service station, enlisted men's club, guard house, school, chapel, hospital, nurses' quarters and attendants' dormitory in area E, Dugway Proving Grounds. CD 4/9.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Grayson Constr. Co., Pocatello, Idaho, Low Bidder, $69,713, treatment plant, JEROME, IDAHO, City Hall, Jerome, Idaho. Hamilton & Voeller, Pocatello, Idaho, engrs.

Manson Constr. & Eng. Co., 821 Alaskan Way, Seattle, Wash., Low Bidder, $321,042, steel, concrete deck girder bridge over Portage Canal, Jefferson Co., WASHINGTON. State Hy. Dpt., Olympia, Wash. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/28.

▲† Guy F. Atkinson Co. and Ostrander Constr. Co., Cascade Bldg., Portland, Ore. and J. A. Jones Constr. Co., 209 W. 4 St., Charlotte, N. C. (McNary Dam Contractors), Low Bidder, $58,416,491, est. $55,058,359, completion McNary Dam, incl. construction remaining portions spillway, power house, abutments and appurtenant structures, CIVENG 45-165-51-49, OREGON-WASHINGTON. U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash. Bids April 12. CD 3/27.

LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲† Waale-Camplan Co., 2100 S. W. Jefferson St., Portland, Ore., Low Bidder, $2,376,951 addnl. bldgs., rehabilitation existing buildings, utilities, Serial No. ENG 45-108-51-125, NORTH RICHLAND, WASH. U. S. Eng., 4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle, 4, Wash. Bids April 10. CD 3/28.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† J. Nottingham, Boise, Idaho. Contract Awarded. $66,242. replacing 29,300 ft. pipe at Air Force Base and Bennett Park Housing, Inv. 51-140, MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO. U. S. Eng., 4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle 4, Wash. Bids Apr. 7.

† A. Shoonmaker Co., Sausalito, Calif. Contract Awarded. $95,792, electrical generating equip. for Dugway Proving Grounds, equip. must consist of no less than 2 units 600 kw capacity each, TOOELE, UTAH, U. S. Eng., 74 New Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif.

Pacific Sand & Gravel Co., Centralia, Wash., Contract Awarded, $214,962, draining, grading, surf. 2.5 mi. Secondary State Hy. 13-A, Raymond West F.A.S. S-0453 (1), Pacific Co., WASHINGTON. State Hy. Dpt., Olympia, Wash. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/28.

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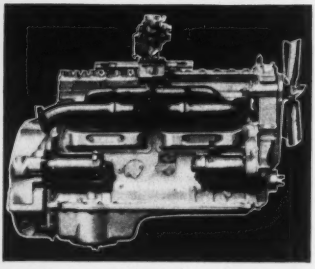

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Tomei Constr. Co., 4734 Orion Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., Contract Awarded, $149,213, Sepulveda Blvd. by-pass and appurtenant works, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Dpt. Airports, 5800 Avion Dr., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Mar. 30. CD 5/1. 5/26/45.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

Fairbanks-Morse & Co., 153 West 2nd South St., Salt Lake City, Utah, Contract Awarded, Approx. $300,000, est. $250,000. enlarging municipal POWER PLANT, incl. 2,000 kw. generator powered by diesel engine, MURRAY, UTAH, City, c/o J. Clifford Hansen, mayor, Murray, Utah. Bids Feb. 23.

▲ Del E. Webb Constr. Co., 302 S. 23 Ave., Phoenix, Ariz., Contract Awarded, $4,813,500, 400-bed 5 story HOSPITAL, PHOENIX, ARIZ. Sisters of Mercy, St. Joseph's Hospital, Phoenix, Ariz. Lescher & Mahoney, Title & Trust Bldg., Phoenix, Ariz., archts. CD 3/27, under LB.

A. Balch, 8050 35 Ave. N. E., Seattle, Wash. Day Labor, $320,000, 32 HOUSES in areas adjacent to SEATTLE, WASH. Thomas, Grainger & Thomas, Arcade Bldg., Seattle, Wash., archts.

## ALASKA

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† Alaska—FIELD MAINTENANCE BLDG., etc.—B.A. 5/8—U. S. Eng., Flamingo Room, New Washington Hotel, Seattle, Wash., 3 one story bldgs.: concrete block constr., one field maintenance and artillery shop at Ladd Air Force Base; one special maintenance shop and one ordnance shop at Eielson Air Force Base, Inv. No. S 95-057-51-88. Plans deposit $50. CD 3/14.

† Alaska—HANGAR—B.A. 5/9—U. S. Eng., Flamingo Room, New Washington Hotel, Seattle, Wash., one 300x300 ft. structural steel on rein.-con. fdn. hangar at Eielson Air Force Base; Inv. No. S 95-507-51-41. Plans deposit $50. CD 3/14.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

† Alaska, Fort Richardson—BAKERY—B.A. 5/11—U. S. Eng., (APO 942, c/o PM, Seattle, Wash.), Anchorage, 1 story, 104x109 ft., concrete block or rein.-con. bakery, Inv. No. S 95-507-51-87. Plans deposit $25. CD 11/27.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† J. H. Pomeroy & Co., Inc., 333 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif. Low Bidder. $4,793,966, est. $5,438,963. fourteen 8-family row type quarters at Eielson Air Force Base and 23 eight-family row type quarters at Ladd Air Force Base, Inv. No. S95-507-51-93, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., (APO 942 c/o PM, Seattle, Wash.) Anchorage, Alaska. Bids April 10. CD 3/15.

## CANADA

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ Ont., London—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/2—John M. Watt, archt., 343 Richmond St., London, Ont., 8 story, Y-shaped brick, steel, concrete hospital addn., for Victoria Hospital Trust, William Loveday, chn., London, Ont. Extended date. CD 1/9.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Chisholm Constr. Co., Antigonish, N. S. Contract Awarded, $124,558. sewerage sys., ANTIGONISH, N. S. Town, Antigonish, N. S. Awarded April 10.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

Gingras Constr., R. R. No. 2, Trenton, Ont. Contract Awarded. $100,000. 1 story, 100x140 ft. concrete block, 15,000 sq. ft. floor space food FACTORY, BRIGHTON, ONT. Dyson's Ontario Ltd., 1139 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg, Man. Awarded April 10. CD 3/22.

Couture & Toupin, Montreal Trust Bldg., Winnipeg, Man. Contract Awarded. $550,000. 3 story, bsmnt., 50x136 ft., rein.-con., brick HOSPITAL addn., FORT FRANCES, ONT. Sisters of Charity, Fort Frances General Hospital, Fort Frances, Ont. Bids Mar. 9, awarded April 10. CD 2/26.

▲ W. H. Cooper Constr. Co. Ltd., 21 Hunter St. E., Hamilton, Ont. Contract Awarded. Approx. $1,500,000. 4 and 5 story, 15,000 sq. ft., PLANT expansion, HAMILTON, ONT. Canadian Westinghouse Co. Ltd., 286 Sanford Ave. N., Hamilton, Ont. Awarded April 10. CD 3/21.

Dunker Constr. Ltd., 251 King St. W., Kitchener, Ont. Contract Awarded. $250,000. 1 story, 125x185 ft., brick, concrete block electrical porcelain FACTORY, WATERLOO, ONT. Volta Insulator Co., Ltd., Waterloo, Ont. Awarded Apr. 10.

Beaumier & Morin Ltd., P. O. Box 218, Cap de la Madeleine, Que. Contract Awarded. $600,000. 2 addnl. wings to Cloutier HOSPITAL, CAP DE LA MADELEINE, QUE. Rev. Soeurs Grises de la Croix, Sussex and Water Sts., Ottawa, Ont. A. Lacoursiere, 101 4 St., Shawinigan Falls, Que., archts.

Fred Beaumier, 33 St. Phillippe St., Cap de la Madeleine, Que. Contract Awarded. Approx. $700,000. JUVENAT, CHAMPLAIN, QUE. Freres St. Gabriel, 1665 Blvd. Gouin E., Montreal, Que. A. Lacoursiere, 101 4 St. Shawinigan Falls, Que., archts. CD 12/7.

Deakin & Stewart Ltd., 1440 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal, Que. Contract Awarded. Approx. $320,000. plating PLANT exten., MONTREAL, QUE. Crane, Ltd., 3800 St. Patrick St., Montreal, Que. Bids Apr. 4. CD 4/5.

▲ Komo Constr. Ltd., 1500 St. Vallier St., Quebec City, Que. Contract Awarded, Approx. $2,000,000. heating plant, grading, etc. at new Laval University, Ste. Foy, QUEBEC CITY, QUE. Laval University, Ste. Foy, Quebec City, Que. P. E. Rousseau, 308 St. John St., Quebec City, Que., archt.

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*Design and Construction under Supervision of Col. Charles E. Holle, U.S.A., District Engineer, New Orleans District, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army*

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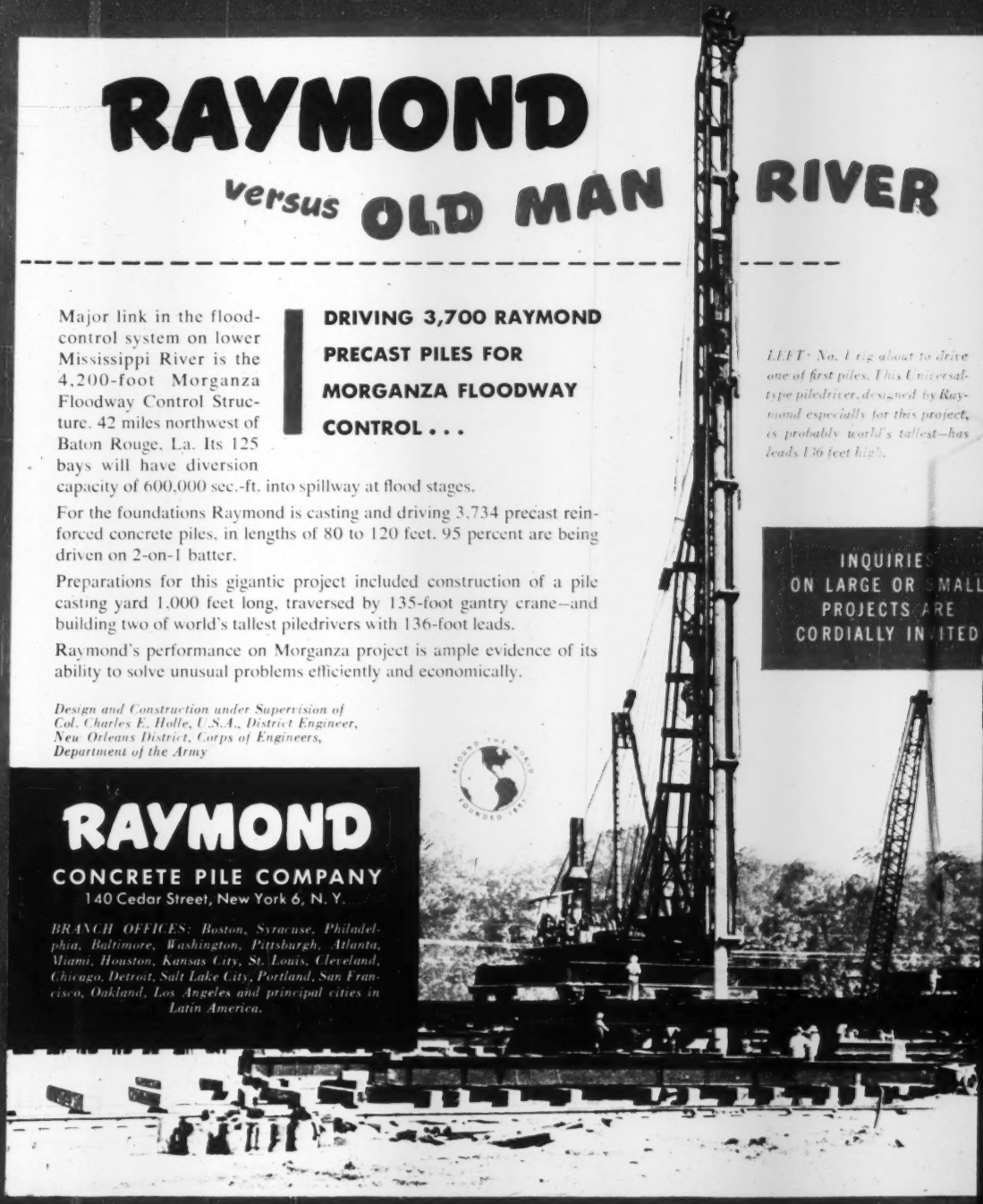

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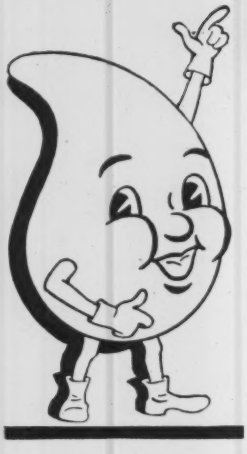

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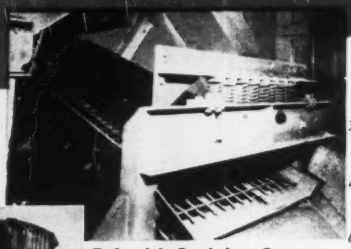

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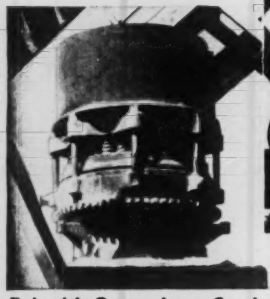

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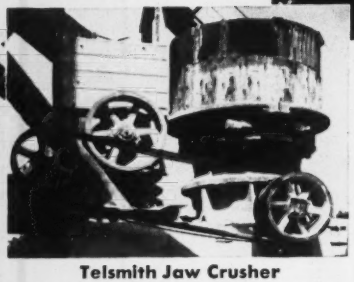

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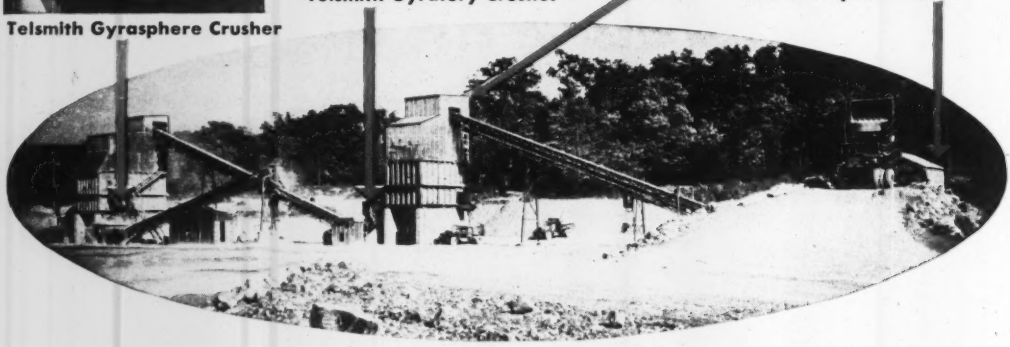

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# CONSTRUCTION REPORTS-Second Section

## NEW ENGLAND

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Conn., Darien**—SCHOOL, etc.—B. A. 4/30—Bd. Educ., Renshaw Rd, Darien, high school addns., alterations $450,000. Extended date. CD 3/28.

▲ **Conn., New Britain**—SCHOOL—B. A. 5/3—City Bd. Educ., 27 Hillside Pl., school, Slater Rd. $1,100,000. Plans deposit $50. Extended date. CD 3/13.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Lambert Constr. Comp., Inc.,** White River Junction, Vt. Low Bidder, $512,738, road mix pavement 4.725 mi. N. H. Route 9 F 319 (3)***Martin Mailet, Salisbury, Mass., $70,476, hot asph. 1.216 mi. asph. and peastone over existing concrete 0.429 mi. F 262 (2), Newington-Dover***Landers & Griffin, Inc., 800 Islington St., Portsmouth, N. H., $147,505, asph. and peastone resurf. 52.57 mi. Proj. G.***D. E. Ambrose & Sons and Mooney, Swett & Bundy, Meredith, N. H., $139,248, surf. treated grav. 2.315 mi. S 273 (2), Wilmot, NEW HAMPSHIRE. Dpt. Pub. Wks. & Hys., Concord, N. H. Bids Apr. 6. CD 3/28.

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **Pa., Harrisburg**—HOUSING—B.A. 5/2—Harrisburg Housing Auth., City Hall, construct 500-unit housing in area bounded by Sycamore, Nace, 14 Sts. and Cloverly Terrace, $4,800,000. Plans deposit $50. Wm. L. Murray, 1600 N. 2 St., archt. CD 8/17.

**Pa., Phila.**—LAUNDRY—B.A. 5/2—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, construct laundry bldg. at Phila. (Byberry) State hospital, $743,000. Plans deposit $15. Extended date. Day & Zimmerman, 1700 Sansom St., Phila., engrs. CD 3/28.

**Md., Baltimore**—HEALTH—B.A. 5/5—City, Bureau Bldg. Constr., 410 Municipal Bldg., Zone 2, convert 3 story school into Southern Health Dist. Bldg., Bank St., $500,000. Plans deposit $75. Hal A. Miller & Assoc., 2118 Maryland Ave., Zone 18, archts. R. E. L. Williams, 410 Municipal Bldg., Zone 2, bldg. constr. engr. CD 8/18.

**Md., Camp Detrick**—HOUSING—Bids Asked—U. S. Eng., 1216 Federal Office Bldg., 90 Church St., New York 7, N. Y., construct, manage, finance 225 housing units, Camp Detrick, Frederick.

**Pa., Pittsburgh**—WAREHOUSE—Bids Asked—Joseph Horne Co., Penn and Stanwix Sts., (selected list bidders) 1 story, approx. 150x170 ft., brick, steel warehouse. $200,000. Abbott-Merkt & Co., 10 E. 40 St., New York, N. Y., archts. CD 6/16.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**McElwee-Courbis Constr. Co.,** 503 Market St., Camden, N. J. Low Bidder, $174,080, incinerator $759,991, treatment plant BLOOMSBURG, PA. Council Chamber, Town Hall, Bloomsburg, Pa. Bids Mar. 29, CD 3/15.

LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲ **Bd. Educ., Union Free School Dist. 15,** Junior High School, Forest Ave., Glen Cove, N. Y., defeated referendum, repairs and addn. to Junior HIGH SCHOOL, GLEN COVE, N. Y. $1,300,000. Project in abeyance. CD 3/21, under LB.

**Weinstein Constr. Co.,** 573 Talmadge St., Akron, O. Low Bidder, $754,300, Malleable Heights HOUSING, SHARON, PA. Mercer County Housing Auth., Farrell, Pa. Clepper & Mallorie, 72 Vine St., Sharon, Pa., archts. CD 2/9, under LB.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **Arundel Corp.,** foot of Fulton St., Brooklyn, N. Y., Contract Awarded. $1,223,810. Dredging and rock removal in Newark Bay vicinity of Bergen Point, NEW JERSEY. U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York, 13, N. Y. Bids Mar. 27. CD 4/10, under LB.

▲† **Amercian Dredging Co.,** 12 S. 12 St., Phila., Pa. Contract Awarded. $1,475,240, dredging Marcus Hook Anchorage, Marcus Hook, Delaware Co., PENNSYLVANIA. U. S. Eng., 121 N. Broad St., Phila., Pa. CD 4/21/44.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Brownsville Boys Club, Inc.,** 417 Christopher Ave., Brooklyn 12, N. Y. Separate Contracts. Approx. $500,000. CLUBHOUSE, 598-626 Christopher Ave., BROOKLYN, N. Y. CD 10/2.

▲ **Lafayette Gardens, Inc.,** 2190 Boston Rd., New York 60, N. Y. Separate Contracts, $1,500,000. APARTMENT, 328-44 Haven Ave. and 1338-68 Riverside Dr., NEW YORK, N. Y. CD 10/5.

† **Arthur Venneri,** 300 North Ave., Westfield, N. J. Contract Awarded, $512,887, rehabilitation buildings, CAMP JOYCE KILMER, N. J. Dpt. Army, 121 N. Broad St., Phila., Pa.

▲ **Fred Meagher,** 225 S. 69 St., Upper Darby, Pa. Separate Contracts. Approx. $2,200,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Chichester and Smithers Rds., CHESTER, PA. James G. Ludwig, 225 S. 69 St., Upper Darby, Pa., archt.

**Daniel Realty Co.,** 915 Delaware Ave., Phila. Pa. Separate Contracts. $848,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Grant Ave. DOWNINGTON, PA.

**Smelo-Peters-Milgram, Inc.,** 739 Disston St., Phila., Pa. Separate Contracts. Approx. $500,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Warminster Rd., HATBORO, PA.

▲ **Oakland Housing Co.,** Nathan Slonimsky, Western Saving Fund Bldg., Phila., Pa. Separate Contracts. $1,080,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Hunting Park Ave. etc., PHILA. PA.

**John McShain, Inc.,** 17 and Spring Gardens Sts., Phila., Pa. Contract Awarded, $800,000. Sacred Heart HOME, PHILA., PA. St. Rose of Lima Dominican Sisters, 4200 York Rd., Phila. Pa. Bids Feb. 27. CD 2/15.

**Finestone Bros.,** 514 E. Roosevelt Bldg., Phila., Pa. Separate Contracts. $549,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Bristol St. and Hunting Park Ave., PHILA., PA. Lewis J. Cowan, 2505 Pine St., Phila., Pa., archt.

▲ **Secane Homes, Inc.,** 217 S. 69 St., Upper Darby, Pa., Separate Contracts, $2,000,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Secane, Ridley Twp., SECANE, PA.

**Weinstein Constr. Co.,** 573 Talmadge St., Akron, O. Contract Awarded. $754,300. 100 unit HOUSING development, known as Malleable Heights Project, SHARON; PA. Mercer County Housing Auth., Sharon, Pa. CD 4/13, under LB.

**Charles A. Hinman,** Crisfield, Md. Contract Awarded. $500,000. 1 story brick block, steel, 50,000 sq. ft. FACTORY, CRISFIELD, MD. Charles D. Briddell Co., Co., Inc., Crisfield, Md. CD 4/13.

**E. T. Connaway,** Lewes, Del. Contract Awarded, $650,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, DELMAR, DEL. Delmar Manor Development, Delmar, Del.

**McAdams & Greenwood,** 69 and Walnut Sts., Upper Darby, Pa. Separate Contracts, Approx. $500,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Church St., etc., WILMINGTON, DEL.

## SOUTH

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Va., Martinsville**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/1—At office, School Supt., Henry Co., Martinsville, Drewry Mason High School, with auditorium and shop. Approx. $500,000. Plans deposit $15. J. Coates Carter, 218 Main St., archt.

**Va., Cumberland**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/2—At office T. J. McIlwaine, supt. Schools, Cumberland Co. Court House, Cumberland Negro School. $500,000. Plans deposit $15. Dixon & Norman, 1103 E. Main St., Richmond, archts.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ **Industrial Contg. Co.,** 3050 4 Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn. Low Bidders, $5,207,832, substructure: Louis Garavaglia, Interzone, Detroit, Mich., $4,137,784, superstructure, for 4,250 ft. low level bridge from foot of Gilmore St. across St. Johns River to Southside of Jacksonville. Part of $42,000,000 express highway system, FLORIDA. State Rd. Dpt., George Washington Hotel, Jacksonville, Fla. Bids Apr. 12. CD 4/4.

LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

**C. L. Lewis,** Lynchburg, Va. Low Bidder. $753,753. HOSPITAL, near SOUTH BOSTON, VA. Halifax Community Hospital, South Boston, Va. Stanhope S. Johnson, Lynchburg, Va., archt. Bids Apr. 12. CD 4/9.

**Kuhn Constr. Co.,** Kanawha Valley Bldg., Charleston, W. Va. Low Bidder. $674,600. 2 story U-shaped, steel, brick, stone PHYSICAL EDUCATION BLDG. School for Deaf & Blind, ROMNEY, W. Va. State Bd. Control, Charleston, W. Va. CD 2/8/46.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Babcock & Wilcox,** Packard Bldg., Phila., Pa. Contract Awarded, $589,950. L-shaped water charge vessel, LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, VA. National Advisory Com. for Aeronautics, Langley Air Force Base, Va.

**Carlton Contg. Co.,** Box 731, Albany, Ga., Contract Awarded. $600,247 Proposal A, bit. tr., plant mix 9.452 mi. 1 mi. Anniston Bypass F.I. 291 (2), Calhoun Co.; **W. A. McWaters,** 2 Clayton St., Montgomery, Ala., $900,231, Proposal A, surf. tr. 9.672 mi. U.S. 31 from Lacon north, F.I. 25 (2) and S 3 (4), Morgan Co., ALABAMA. State Hy. Dpt., 500 Dexter Ave., Montgomery, Ala. Bids Mar. 9. CD 3/28, under LB.

▲ † **Edward E. Morgan Co. Inc.,** and **Jones & Gillis, Inc.,** 2951 Canton Ave., Jackson, Miss. Contract Awarded. $3,758,255. constr. Grenada Dam, Grenada, MISSISSIPPI. U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 80, U. S. P.O. and Court House, Vicksburg, Miss. Bids Apr. 3. CD 2/15.

† **Central States Dock & Dredging Co.,** Box 366, Humboldt, Ia. Contract Awarded. $610,488. dredging Smithland Landing cutoff on Black River near Jonesville, LOUISIANA. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 60, Vicksburg, Miss. CD 4/13, under L. B.

**Gordan Walker,** Box 287, Baton Rouge, La. Contract Awarded. $848,831. bridge across Pearl River between Bogalusa, La. and Poplarville, Miss., LOUISIANA and MISSISSIPPI. State Hy. Dpt., Baton Rouge, La. CD 4/2, L. B.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ **English Constr. Co.,** Altavista, Va. Contract Awarded, $1,222,000. construct RECEIVING BLDG. at Southwestern State Hospital, MARION, VA. State of Virginia, Richmond, Va. Bids Mar. 13. CD 3/26, under LB.

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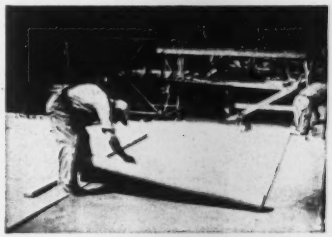

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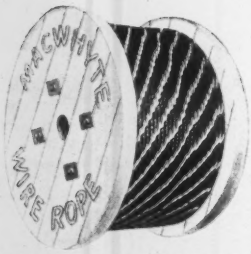


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Barge-Thompson Co., 136 Ellis St. N. E., Atlanta, Ga. Contract Awarded. $850,000. 3 story OFFICE and EXCHANGE bldg., PADUCAH, KY. Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co., 51 Ivy St. N. E., Atlanta, Ga.

## MIDDLE WEST

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

Wis., Menomonie—HOUSING—B.A. 5/2—Housing Auth. of City of Menomonie, C. L. Rich, chn., 60 dwelling units in housing and maintenance bldg., $500,000. Plans deposit $20. Ingemann & Bergstedt, 345 Minnesota St., St. Paul, Minn., archts. CD 6/22.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ State Div. Hys., Springfield, Ill., rejected bids Mar. 30. 4.25 mi. Alexander Co., L.B. $425,891; 4.63 mi. Coles Co., L.B. $248,541; 7.14 mi. Cook Co., L.B. $198,507; 4.98 mi. Fayette Co., L.B. $506,795; 0.27 mi. Hamilton Co., L.B. $69,654; 19.31 mi. Iroquois and Ford Counties, L.B. $507,995; 21.41 mi. Jefferson and Marion Counties, L.B. $369,682; 14.25 mi. Lake Co., L.B. $323,619; 6.3 mi. Madison Co., L.B. $178,863; 6.16 mi. Madison Co., L.B. $90,804; 10.22 mi. Union Co., L.B. $217,558; 12.6 mi. Union Co., L.B. $396,306; 4.9 mi. Cole Co., L.B. $94,843, ILLINOIS. CD 4/4, under LB.

Michael Pontarelli, 4248 N. Kilpatrick St., Chicago, 41, Ill. Low Bidder. $722,080. auxiliary outlet 6,100 ft. auxiliary outlet sewers Contr. 1, CHICAGO, ILL. City, City Hall, Zone 2, Ill. CD 3/23, under LB.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

Greene & Gust, 1154 W. Lunt St., Chicago, 26, Ill., Low Bidder. $705,326. community high SCHOOL, CRYSTAL LAKE, ILL. School Dist., 155, Franklin and Wallace Aves., Crystal Lake, Ill. Bids Mar. 26. CD 3/16.

▲ O. W. Burke Co., 1032 Fisher Bldg., Detroit, Mich. Low Bidder. $3,797,953. 6 story, medical science unit, incl. classrooms and laboratory, COLLEGE of Medicine, St. Antoine St., DETROIT, MICH. Wayne University, 4841 Cass Ave., Detroit, Mich. Bids Apr. 4 CD 3/8.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ Illinois Terminal R. R. Co., J. L. Loida, ch. engr., 710 N. 12 Blvd., St. Louis, 1, Mo. Own Forces, $1,000,000. general imprvs. to McKinley Bridge connecting Venice, Ill. and St. Louis, Mo., over Mississippi River, incl. steel decking for roadbed, etc., ILLINOIS and MISSOURI. CD 10/3.

Streu Constr. Co., 2004 14 St., Two River, Wis., Contract Awarded, $599,305, Contrs. 1 and 3 C. conc. 13.606 mi. Platteville-Lancaster Rd., S. T. Hys. 81 and 35 and U. S. Hy. 61. Projs. S 0101 (4) and T 08-1 (3), Grant Co. WISCONSIN State Hy. Comn., Madison, Wis. Bids Apr. 10. CD 4/16, under LB.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ Roediger Constr. Co., Inc., 1737 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O. Contract Awarded. Approx. $1,232,000. 6 story, HOSPITAL, laboratory facilities, administrative offices, light-faced brick trimmed with granite and limestone. Central Ave., CLEVELAND, O. Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, 14808 Lake St., Cleveland, O. George S. Rider Co., Terminal Tower, Cleveland, O., archt. and engr. CD 11/22/49.

▲† Dawson-Evans Constr. Co., 5300 Vine St., St. Bernard, O. Contract Awarded, $1,555,600. Dorothy Lane facility WAREHOUSES, DAYTON, O. General Services Admin., Pub. Bldgs. Service, General Services Bldg., 19 and F Sts. N.W., Wash. 25, D. C. Bids Mar. 21. CD 3/30, under LB.

▲† Joseph J. Duffy Co., 4994 N. Elston St., Chicago, Ill. Contract Awarded. $2,333,141, Bid 2 Wolf Lake WAREHOUSE, HAMMOND, IND. General Services Admin., F St. between 18 and 19 Sts. N.W., Wash., 25, D. C. Bids Mar. 20, awarded Apr. 13. CD 3/29, under LB.

Bulley & Andrews, 2040 W. Harrison St., Chicago, 8, Ill. Contract Awarded. $550,000. 60,000 sq. ft. FACTORY addn., CHICAGO, ILL. Kinkead Industries, Inc., 5860 N. Pulaski St., Chicago, 30, Ill. Bids Apr. 6. CD 3/27.

Wm. H. Koenig, 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., Contract Awarded, Approx. $500,000, 1 story, brick, stone electric relays, assembly PLANT, CHICAGO, ILL. C. P. Claire & Co., 4710 Sunnyside St., Chicago, Ill. Bids Feb. 5. CD 2/2.

▲ Whittenberg Constr. Co., 2214 Floyd St., Louisville, Ky. Contract Awarded, $15,000,000, general renovation and repairs to facilities, new construction at Plant 2, Hoosier Ordnance Plant, new construction at main plant, Indiana Ordnance Plant, CHARLESTOWN, IND. U. S. Eng., 830 W. Broadway, Louisville 1, Ky. Hazelet & Erdal, 403 Commerce Bldg., Louisville, Ky., engrs. and archts. CD 2/14.

Marbar Homes, Inc., 6317 Guilford St., Indianapolis, Ind. Own Forces, $600,000. 60 HOMES, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

▲† Penker Constr. Co., 1030 Summer St., Cincinnati, O. Contract Awarded, $4,000,000, 4 testing bldgs., railroad spurs for targets, renovation, etc., MADISON, IND. U. S. Eng., 830 W. Broadway, Louisville 1, Ky.

▲ Bryant & Detwiler Co., 2304 Penobscot Bldg., Detroit, Mich. Contract Awarded, $5,000,000. 1 story, brick, steel ENGINEERING BLDG. B, DEARBORN, MICH. Ford Motor Co., 3000 Shaefer St., Dearborn, Mich. Bids Feb. 28. CD 2/8.

▲ Miller Davis Co., Kalamazoo, Mich. Contract Awarded. $2,000,000. 1 story process tungsten carbide PLANT, EDMORE, MICH. Carboloy Co., Inc., 11177 E. 8 Mile Rd., Detroit, Mich. Bids Apr. 11. CD 4/11.

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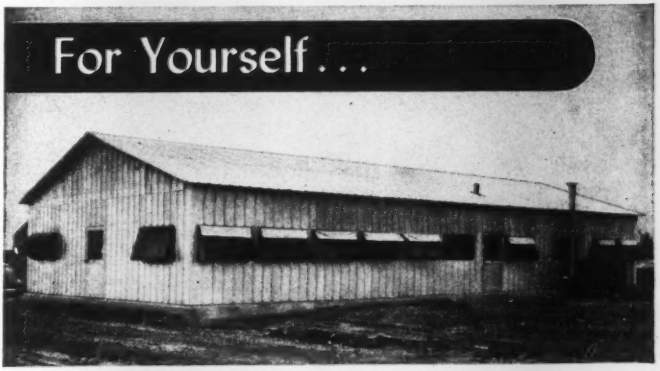


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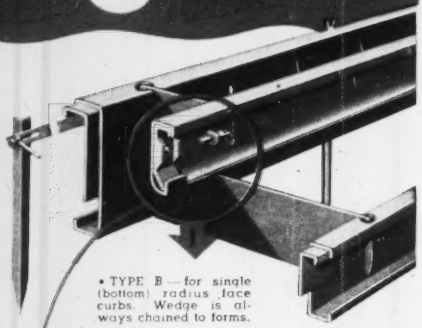

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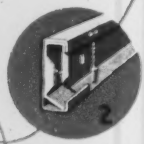

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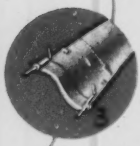

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Schurrer Constr. Co., Pontiac, Mich. Contract Awarded. $566,000. 2 story, bsmnt., brick, steel SCHOOL, LAPEER, MICH. City, City Council, Lapeer, Mich. CD 2/23, under LB.

▲ **Crestview Homes, Inc.**, Scott Lake Rd., Pontiac, Mich. Owner Builds. $2,800,000. 275 brick, frame single HOUSES, Jeffrey Manor, Townsend Park, PONTIAC, MICH.

**Barton-Malow, Co.**, 2631 Woodward St., Detroit, Mich. Contract Awarded. $500,000. 1 story, masonry WAREHOUSE, Proving Ground site, UTICA, MICH. Packard Motor Co., 1580 E. Grand Blvd., Detroit, Mich. CD 3/30.

## WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Mo., Cape Girardeau**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/1—School Dist., Elizabeth Walther, secy, brick, concrete, steel, stone high school. $795,000. W. B. Ittner, Inc., 408 Bd. Educ., Bldg., 911 Locust St., St. Louis, Zone 1, archt. Fred E. Dormeyer Jr., Cape Girardeau, assoc. archt. CD 6/2/50.

**Tex., Freeport**—APARTMENT—Bids Asked—Howard Moore and Thomas A. Greacen, 1010 Winbern, St. Houston, 15 four-unit apartment bldg. units, $450,000. Thomas A. Greacen, 1010 Winbern St., archt. CD 3/30.

**Tex., Houston**—PLANT—Bids Asked—Adolphus Rice Mills, 4600 Clinton Dr., construct of rice bran oil extraction plant. $350,000. CD 4/6.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc.**, 1138 Baker Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn. Low Bidder. $1,087,031. constr. Orwell Dam on Otter Tail River, MINNESOTA. U. S. Eng., 1217 U. S. P. O. and Custom House, St. Paul 1, Minn. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/27.

▲ **Berghuis Constr Co.**, Clara City, Minn., Low Bidder. $80,547, grading 9 mi. between 1 mi. east of West Kandiyoki Co. line and Jct. T. H. 71, Kandiyohi Co. ***E. W. Coons, Inc.**, Hibbing, Minn., $722,187, paving, shoulder grading 12.7 mi. between Milaca and Ogilvie, Kanabec and Mille Lacs Counties; $266,182, grav. base, plant-mixed bit. surf. 24.6 mi. between 1 mi. south of Libby and Swan River, Aitkin and Itasca Counties; $31,425, plant-mixed bit. surf. stabilized grav. shoulders 11.26 mi. T. H. 2 between Swan River and Island, Aitkin and Itasca Counties***Duininck Bros. & Gilchrist**, Olivia, Minn., $165,734, plant-mixed bit. surf. 16.5 mi. between Dilworth and 1 mi. west of Hawley, Clay Co.***J. V. Gleason**, St. Louis Park, Minn., $168,034, plant mixed bit. surf. 26.7 mi. between 1.5 mi. east of Cass Lake and 1.6 mi. west of East Co. line, Cass Co.***Haugen & Mark**, Fergus Falls, Minn. $123,668, grading 8.3 mi. between 10.4 mi. and 18.6 mi. east of Frazee, Becker Co.***Herbison Constr. Co.**, Brainerd, Minn., $215,904 grav. base plant-mixed bit. surf. 20.7 mi. between Browns Valley and Graceville, Big Stone and Traverse Counties***McLean-Astleford Co.**, 400 W. 78 St., Minneapolis 9, Minn., $995,082, grading, grav. base, road and plant-mixed bit. surf. and bridges 13.1 mi. between 59 Ave. east in Duluth and Knife River underpass, Lake and St. Louis Counties***Megarry Bros.**, St. Cloud, Minn., $162,956, grav. base, plant-mixed bit. surf. 10.7 mi. between Gilman and west jct. of T. H. 95, Benton Co., MINNESOTA. State Hy. Dpt., 1246 University Ave., St. Paul, Minn. Bids Apr. 6. CD 3/21.

† **G. H. Lindekugel & Sons**, Spencer, S. D. Low Bidder. $506,441. bank slope protection, Fort Randall Reservoir Project, near Chamberlain, Inv. 98, SOUTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Apr. 3. CD 3/8.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲ **R. F. Ball Constr. Co.**, Box 13097, Houston, Tex. Low Bidder. $1,777,000. General constr. HIGH SCHOOL, SNYDER, TEX. Snyder Consolidated Independent School Dist., Snyder, Tex. Bids Apr. 12. Buford & Feinberg, 326 Interurban Bldg., Dallas, Tex. engrs. and archts. CD 4/10, under LB.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Orlando Constr. Co. & Louis Orlando**, Coleman, Wis. Contract Awarded. $604,169, est. $624,618. 72 mi. Fort Randall-Winner 115-kv transmission line, Spec. DC-3318, Missouri River Basin Proj., Transmission Div., SOUTH DAKOTA. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Huron, S. D. Bids Mar. 13, awarded Apr. 2. CD 3/23, under LB.

▲† **Westinghouse Electric Corp.**, 117 N. 13 St., Omaha, Neb. Contract Awarded. $1,137,020. Schedule A, $1,079,853, Schedule B***Moloney Electric Co.**, 5390 Bircher St., St. Louis, Mo., $1,214,275, Schedule C, for transformers for Garrison Dam, N. D. Fort Randall Dam, S. D. and Oahe Reservoir S. D., SOUTH DAKOTA and NORTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Mar. 21. CD 4/4, under LB.

† **Jensen Constr. Co.**, 1501 Easton Blvd., Des Moines, Ia. Contract Awarded. $795,000. Sheet pile wall at Oahe Reservoir, Proj. Inv. 113, SOUTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Mar. 27. CD 4/11.

▲† **Al Johnson Constr. Co.**, 608 Foshay Tower, and **Winston Bros.**, 1470 N. W. Bank Bldg., both Minneapolis, Minn. Contract Awarded. $7,952,362. Spillway Stage I, for Fort Randall Reservoir, near Pickstown, Inv. 85, SOUTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Mar. 23. CD 3/27, under LB.

† **George Bauman Constr. Co.**, Nevada, Mo. Contract Awarded. $881,110. rehabilitation 2 addnl. shell loading areas, one 1,000 area and other 1,100 area

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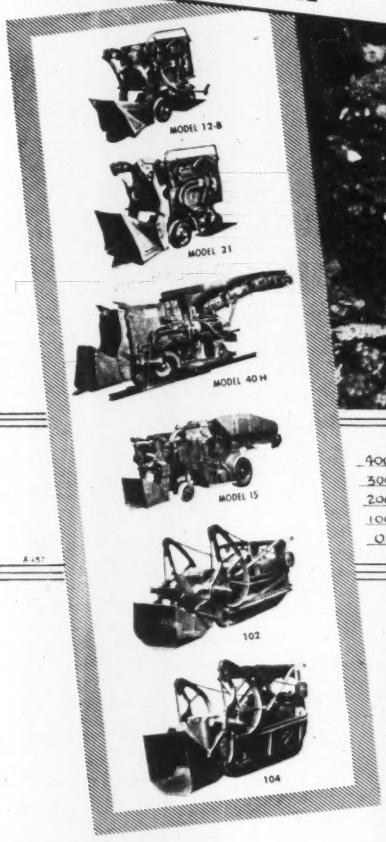

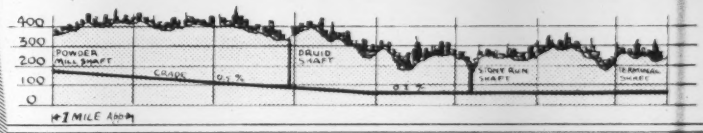


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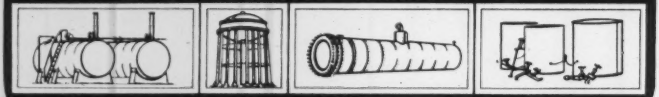

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at Kansas Ordnance Plant, Inv. KCM 51-3, PARSONS, KAN. U. S. Eng., 601 Davidson Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Bids Apr. 6.

† H. E. Beall, Box 291, Gatesville, Tex. Contract Awarded. $993,531, operations bldg. control tower, fire and crash station, Gray Air Force Base, Fort Hood, KILLEEN, TEX. U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Tex. Bids Mar. 30, Awarded Apr. 12. CD 4/9, under LB.

▲ † Winston Bros. Co., Monrovia, Calif. Contract Awarded, $2,240,359, constr. Flat iron Power and Pumping Plant and Afterby Dam, Estes Park-Foothills power aqueduct, Colorado—Big Thompson Proj., Spec. DC-3306, COLORADO. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Loveland, Colo. Bids Mar. 15, awarded Apr. 17. CD 3/27, under LB.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

James Thompson & Sons, Ames, Ia. Contract Awarded, $677,000, SCIENCE bldg. addn., at Iowa State College, AMES, IA. State Bd. Educ., 1007 Des Moines St., Des Moines, Ia. Bids Feb. 8. CD 2/27, under LB.

▲ Basil Green, Lawrence, Kan., Contract Awarded, $1,875,000, general contract SCIENCE BLDG., at University of Kansas; Industrial Plumbing & Heating Co., 103 S. 4 St., St. Joseph, Mo., $387,739, heating and plumbing, at University of Kansas, LAWRENCE, KAN. State Bd. Regents, Topeka, Kan. Bids Mar. 10. CD 2/26.

▲ Kroh Bros., 800 Lee Blvd., Johnson Co., Kan., RFD from Kansas City, Mo. Owner Builds. $1,000,000. 90 DWELLINGS in Johnson Co., Kan., near Kansas City, Mo. RFD from that city, OLATHE, KAN.

▲ James M. Stanton Constr. Co., 5936 Lockton Lane, Johnson Co., Kan., RFD from Kansas City, Mo. Owner Builds. $1,500,000. 178 DWELLINGS in suburban area, Kansas, Johnson Co. and Mission Twp. area, OLATHE, KAN.

Dondlinger & Son Constr. Co., 1206 E. Lincoln St., Wichita, Kan. Contract Awarded, $774,351. General constr., James R. Mead SCHOOL, WICHITA, KAN. Bd. Educ., Wichita, Kan. CD 3/28, under L.B.

▲ Tellepsen Constr. Co., 1710 Telephone Rd., Houston, Tex. Contract Awarded. Approx. $3,275,000, est. $3,000,000. Unit 1 Helicopter PLANT unit, FORT WORTH, TEX. Bell Aircraft Corp., Niagara Falls Blvd., Buffalo, N. Y. Awarded Apr. 13. CD 4/11.

▲ Dow Chemical Co., Freeport, Tex., Purchase and Hire, Approx. $2,750,000, rehabilitation Government-owned Magnesium PLANT***Tellepsen Constr. Co., 1710 Telephone Rd., Houston, Tex. Contract Awarded, Approx. $2,750,000, extens., addns. to Ethyl PLANT, tower type structures, brick, reinforced constr. FREEPORT, TEX. Giffels & Vallet, Commerce Bldg., Houston Tex., engrs. CD 6/15.

Norgaard & Shaw, 2933 N. Henderson St., Dallas, Tex. Contract Awarded, $749,885, est. $700,000. 1 story brick haydite block, Junior-Senior HIGH SCHOOL, rein.-con. fdn. and floor with asph. tile, etc., TEMPLE, TEX. Temple Independent School Dist., c/o Logan Ware, bus. mgr., Temple, Tex. Bids 3/13. CD 3/20, under LB.

## FAR WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† Washington—B.A. 5/3—U. S. Eng., Pittock Block, Portland, Ore., sub-surface exploration for concrete aggregate North Dalles Terrace, Klickitat Co., CIVENG 35-026-51-243. D. S. Burns, Pittock Block, Portland, Ore., engr.

† Wash., Seattle—RANGE FACILITIES—B. A. 5/3—P. Wks. Officer, 13th Naval Distr., 1611 W. Wheeler St., repairs to Point Jefferson range facilities at degaussing station, Specs. 25431.

Calif., Oroville—B. A. 5/7—City, City Hall, sanitary sewage treatment plant enlargement, incl. (1) clarifier with mech. equipment (2) new sludge pump (3) modification of existing spetic tank (4) appurtenant piping and electrical work (5) misc. work and job clean up. R. H. Dewant, sanitary engr.

Calif., San Luis Obispo—B.A. 5/7—San Luis Obispo Co., Court House, rein.-con. cattlepass Huera and Hero Lopanza Proj.

Calif., San Rafael—B.A. 5/7—City, City Hall, remove bridge on K St., replace with rein.-con. arch culvert. Plans deposit $5.

Calif., Stockton—B.A. 5/7—City, City Hall street imprvs. to portions Map B of Pacific Gardens and in Tuxedo County Club Villas. $239,300. Plans deposit $5. H. M. Dunlap, City Hall, city engr. CD 10/4/46.

† Nev., Las Vegas—B. A. 5/7—U. S. Atomic Energy Comn., City Hall, Las Vegas, road and area paving, alternate test site near here. Plans deposit $25. CD 3/23.

Calif., Crescent City—EXHIBIT BLDG.—B. A. 5/8—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento; general, mechanical, electrical work for exhibit bldg., 41st. Agricultural Assn.

† Calif., Livermore—B.A. 5/8—Veterans Admin., Vermont Ave. between H and I Sts. N. W., Wash., 25, D. C., sewage treatment plant for Veterans Administration Hospital, Proj. 12-4207.

▲ Calif., San Francisco—PASSENGER TERMINAL—B. A. 5/8—Public Utilities Comn., City Hall, 6 story, 242,560 sq. ft. passenger terminal, San Francisco Airport under Airport Contr. 130. Plans deposit $100. CD 1/9.

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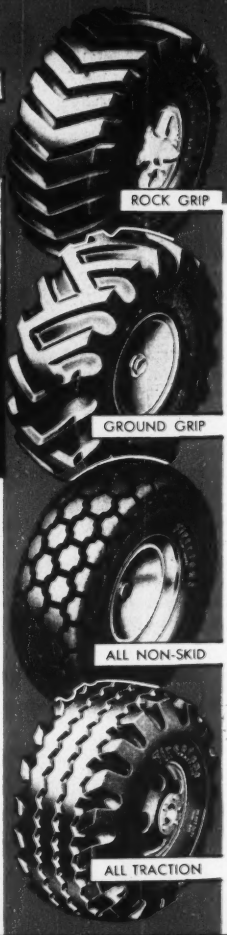


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**Calif., San Francisco**—POWER LINE—B.A. 5/8—Public Utilities Comn., City Hall, constr. Cherry Valley 22 KV power line.

**Washington**—B.A. 5/8—Clallam Co. Pub. Utility dist., Port Angeles, 1250-hp. propeller-type turbine, 1125-kva generator, 1 governor, 2 voltage, regulators, etc. for Hoh River Oxbor hydroelectric project, Forks. Plans deposit 420. Stevens & Koon, Spalding Bldg., Portland, Ore., engrs. CD 6/29.

† **Wash., White Bluffs**—FACILITIES—B. A. 5/8—Dpt. Army, Purchasing & Contg. Office, Fort Lewis, rehabilitating electrical, water and sewer facilities at military installation, Inv. No. 51-161.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Calif., San Francisco**—CLASSROOM—B.A. 5/8—State Div. Architecture, Pub. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, 38,000 sq. ft., 2 story, rein.-con. classroom building at San Francisco State College. Plans deposit $25. CD 2/21/46.

**Calif., Bellflower**—SCHOOL—B. A. 5/9—Bellflower School Dist., 6145 N. Clark Ave., Woodruff, Roosevelt and Jefferson School addns., Approx. $30,000 Kistner, Curtis & Wright, 816 W. 5 St., Los Angeles, archts. CD 10/19/49.

**Calif., Hillsborough and Burlingame**—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/9—San Peninsula Hospital Dist., 217 W. Santamez St., Hillsborough, 5 story hospital. Plans deposit $100. W. Adrian, 417 Market St., San Francisco, engr. Douglas D. Stone & Louis B. Mullay 619 California St., San Francisco, archts. CD 1/10/44.

### SOON LETS CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Ore., Portland**—STORE—B. A. 5/1—J. J. Newberry Co., Failing Bldg., soon lets contract, remodel, enlarge store, 5 and Alder Sts., incl. construct quarter block 5 story bldg. $700,000. Glen Stanton, Concord Bldg., archt. CD 1/11.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **English Electric Co. Ltd.**, Stafford, England, Low Bidder, **$2,229,186,** design, mfg. and installation three 15,800 kva generators for Alberton Falls Power Plant, Inc. No. CIVENG 51-43, IDAHO. U. S. Eng., 4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle 4, Wash. Bids Apr. 12. CD 3/12.

**Westinghouse Electric Corp.**, East Pittsburgh, Pa., Low Bidder, $518,711, 13 compressed air circuit breakers of 1,500,000 kva. interrupting capacity for Rock Island Dam, WENATCHEE, WASH. Chelan County Pub. Utility Dist. 1, c/o Stone & Webster Eng. Corp., engr., 49 Federal St., Boston, Mass. Bids Mar. 26. CD 3/13.

▲ **Porter W. Yett,** 6500 N.E. Ainsworth St., Portland, Ore. Low Bidder. **$1,286,424,** grading, paving 6.5 mi., constr. 2 bridges, Bunker-Hill-Delmar Sect., Oregon Coast Hy., Coos Co.***Warren Northwest,** 9860 N.E. Hancock St., Portland, Ore., **$173,030,** pavement, resurf. 10.7 mi. Alder Creek-Philomath Sect., Alsea Hy. FAP S-229 (3), Benton Co., OREGON. State Hy. Comn., State Office Bldg., Salem, Ore. Bids Apr. 12.

▲ **General Construction Co.,** Box 3244, Portland, Ore. Low Bidder. **$1,074,350.** 6.96 mi. hydraulic placed embankment, Columbia River Hy., FAP FI-174 (11) and FI 35 (4), Hood River and Wasco Counties, OREGON. State Hy. Comn., State Office Bldg., Salem, Ore. Bids Apr. 12. R. H. Baldock, c/o owner, state engr.

**Frederickson & Watson Constr. Co.,** 873 81 Ave., Oakland, Calif. Low Bidder. $513,377, c. conc. 5.2 mi. between Chualar and Spence Underpass, Monterey Co., CALIFORNIA. State Div. Hys., P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, Calif. Bids Mar. 28. CD 3/6.

**T. E. Connolly, Inc.,** Sheldon Bldg., San Francisco, Calif., Low Bidder. **$636,205,** constr. 5.8 mi. access road between Jones Point and Cherry River Bridge, Stanislaus National Forest, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. Public Utilities Comn., City Hall, San Francisco, Calif. Bids Apr. 3. CD 3/1.

▲ **Dan Caputo & Edward Keeble,** 2711 Moorpark St., San Jose, Calif. Low Bidder, $1,030,130, imprv. 12 St. dam and adjacent streets, incl. excav. paving, etc. OAKLAND, CALIF. City, City Hall, Oakland Calif. Bids Apr. 3. CD 3/26.


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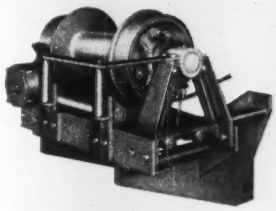

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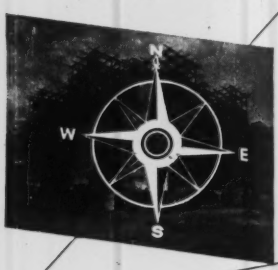


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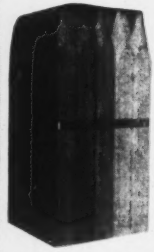

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LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

† **Westinghouse Electric Corp.**, Herdlyn, Calif., Low Bidder. $550,011, SUB-STATIONS for emergency power supply, Central Valley Proj., Calif., Colorado-Big Thompson Proj., Colo., and Missouri River Basin Projs., Spec. DS-3291, CALIFORNIA, COLORADO and WYOMING. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. L-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids Apr. 5.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ **C. R. O'Neil, Creswell, Ore.** Contract Awarded. $117,101, grading, surf. 2.41 mi. Alsea-Deadwood Hy, Benton Co.***Rogers Constr. Co., Babler Bros., 4617 S.E. Milwaukee St., Portland, Ore., $457,409; grading, paving Tumalo-Bend sect., McKenzie-Bend Hy, Deschutes Co.***J. C. Compton, Box 86, McMinnville, Ore., $452,454, wid'n, paving, 19.64 mi. Crate and West Diamond Lake Hys., FAP S-47 (5) and S-112 (1), Jackson and Douglas Counties, OREGON. State Hy. Comn., State Office Bldg., Salem, Ore. Bids Apr. 13. Grand total $1,026,964.

▲† **Peter Kiewit Sons' Co.**, 345 Kieways Ave., Arcadia, Calif. Contract Awarded. $1,357,778, est. $1,000,000 Rio Hondo Channel Imprvt., Downey, Los Angeles Co. CIVENG 04-353-51-23, CALIFORNIA. U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Mar. 27, awarded Apr. 9. CD 3/30, under LB.

† **Clyde W. Wood & Son, Inc.**, P. O. Box 620, North Hollywood, Calif., Contract Awarded. $723,513, est. $733,936. constr. Lauro Dam earthfill structure, near Santa Barbara, Spec. DC-3329, CALIFORNIA. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Goleta, Calif. Bids Mar. 15, awarded Apr. 5. CD 3/21, under LB.

**Hensler Constr. Co.**, 7550 Wheatland Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Contract Awarded, $554,931, runways and taxiways at Los Angeles International Airport, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Dpt. Airport, 5800 Avion Dr., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Apr. 3. CD 3/22.

† **Clyde W. Woods & Son**, Box 620, North Hollywood, Calif., Contract Awarded, $602,475, enlargement runways at SAN NICHOLAS ISLAND, CALIF. Dpt. Navy, Point Mugu, Calif.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Stone & Webster Eng. Corp.**, 49 Federal St., Boston, Mass., Contract Awarded. $500,000. 100x400 ft., steel, masonry STOREROOM and GARAGE on piling fdn., RENTON, WASH. Puget Sound Power & Light Co., Stuart Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash.

**Taylor & Kritz**, Box 16, Arlington, Calif., Contract Awarded. $561,143, est. $400,000. Herbert Hoover SCHOOL, INDIO, CALIF. Indio School Dist., Indio, Calif. Bids Feb. 19. CD 2/28, under LB.

▲ **W. C. Smith, Inc.**, 2119 Pacific Ave., Long Beach, Calif., Contract Awarded. $1,258,512, physical EDUCATION bldg. at Polytechnic High School, LONG BEACH, CALIF. Bd. Educ., 715 Locust Ave., Long Beach, Calif. Bids Apr. 5, awarded Apr. 9. CD 4/12, under LB.

**LeSage Development Co.**, 424 S. Beverly Dr., Beverly Hills, Calif. Owner Builds. $500,000. 52 frame DWELLINGS, Sherman Way, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. CD 12/29.

**L. E. Dixon**, 409 S. California St., San Gabriel, Calif. Contract Awarded. Approx. $500,000, est. $395,000. 3 story, rein.-con. OFFICE, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Associated Veterans Aircraft & Automotive Insurance Co., 2506 W. 6 St., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Mar. 6, awarded Apr. 4. CD 2/19.

**Moss Constr. Co.**, 227 S. Robertson St., Beverly Hills, Calif., Owner Builds. $525,000. 74 frame, stucco DWELLINGS in Tract 16894, NORWALK, CALIF. CD 12/29.

**Cecil Constr. Co.**, 13317 Studebaker Rd., Norwalk, Calif. Contract Awarded. $603,500, 73st stucco DWELLINGS, Behrens, Flatbush Aves. and Foster Rd., NORWALK, CALIF. Norwalk Residential Homes, 13317 Studebaker Rd., Norwalk, Calif.

**J. A. McNeil Co.**, 714 W. Olympic St., Los Angeles, Calif., Contract Awarded. Approx. $500,000, storage and maintenance hangars at Palmdale Airport, PALMDALE, CALIF. Lockheed Aircraft Corp., 2555 Hollywood Way, Palmdale, Calif. CD 1/26.

**Hadley-Cherry**, 8754 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., Contract Awarded, $570,000, 76 frame DWELLINGS in Tract 1470, SANTA ANA, CALIF. Raymar Development Co., 6125 Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif. Rolan Logan, Russell, Pasadena, Calif., archt.

**H. J. Farrington**, 9207 S. Lakewood St., Rivera, Calif., Contract Awarded, $518,830, 1 story frame, stucco Ocean View SCHOOL, WHITTIER, CALIF. East Whittier Elementary School Dist., 14421 E. Whittier Blvd., Whittier, Calif. Bids Mar. 26, awarded Apr. 10. CD 4/3, under LB.

## ALASKA

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

† **Alaska**—FAMILY QUARTERS—B.A. 5/3—U. S. Eng., Flamingo Room, New Washington Hotel, Seattle, Wash., constructing Alaska Communications system facilities or installations, incl. from 2 to 6 family quarters (depending on location) security fence, repeater bldg.; power house, combination garage and warehouse, incl. grading, roads, septic tanks, leaching wells, and all other required utilities, at each of the following locations, Harding Lake, Big Delta, Johnson River, Tok Junction, Northway, Glennallen, Sheep Mountain, Inv. No. S 95-507-51-57. Plans deposit $100. CD 8/29/50.

† **Alaska, Eklutna**—WAREHOUSE—B.A. 5/1—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Palmer, Alaska, erecting warehouse at Eklutna Govt. Camp, Eklutna Proj., Spec. NO. DC-3295. Bids 2/27 rejected. CD 1/19.

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† **Alaska, Fort Richardson**—TELEPHONE EXCHANGE—B.A. 5/4—U. S. Eng., (APO 942, c/o PM, Seattle, Wash.) Anchorage, 1 story, 85x111 ft., reinforced-con. or masonry telephone exchange, Inv. No. S95-507-51-58. $320,000. Plans deposit $50. Jones & Bindon, Hoge Bldg., Seattle 4, Wash., archts. CD 3/14.

LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

† **J. H. Pomeroy & Co., Inc.**, 333 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif. Low Bidder, $959,000, est. $889,184, post engineer facilities, and PAINT and DOPE STORAGE bldg., Inv. 51-50 FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA, U. S. Eng., New Washington Hotel, Seattle 1, Wash. Bids Apr. 12. CD 3/19.

## CANADA

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Que., Montreal**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/1—M. Jarry, 117 W. Ste. Catherine St. 3 story, 64x145 ft., 1 story, 54x85 ft., reinforced-con., brick, SCHOOL for Parish of Ste. Emelie on Christopher-Columbia St. $350,000. A. E. Doucet, 2245 W. Sherbrooke St., archt. CD 12/6.

**Man., Winnipeg**—LIBRARY—B.A. 5/4—University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, 2 story, brick, steel main library $800,000. Green, Blankenstein & Russell, Time Bldg., archts. CD 4/24/50.

**Que., Drummondville**—CHURCH, etc.—B.A. 5/7—Rev. G. Desilets, cure, Parish of S. S. Pierre & Paul, Drummondville, 2 story, 47x81 ft., steel, block, brick church and presbytery. Approx. $300,000. D. Deshaies, 737 Buchanan Ave., Ville St. Laurent, Montreal, archt. CD 9/24/45.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**S. McNally & Sons Ltd.**, Rosseau Rd., Hamilton, Ont. Contract Awarded, $348,000, steel water mains, appurtenances HAMILTON, ONT. City, City Hall, Hamilton, Ont. Bids Mar. 8. Former contractor did not produce bond. CD 3/22, under LB.

▲ **D. Lamothe Constr. Co.**, Noranda, Que. Contract Awarded, $1,000,000, rebuilding Gatineau Hy., 20 mi. from a mile below Brennan's Hill to Kazabazua and paving 11 mi. stretch from Wakefield Village to Low Township line, Wakefield, QUEBEC. Dpt. Hys., Quebec City, Que. (Prov. Govt.)

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Fluor Corp., Ltd.**, 4204 MacLeod Trail, Calgary, Alta. Contract Awarded. Approx. $500,000, PLANT, JUMPING POUND. (Postal Dist. CALGARY) -ALTA. Shell Oil Co. of Canada Ltd., 25 E. Adelaide St., Toronto, Ont. CD 4/12.

▲ **Maritime Steel & Foundries Ltd.**, New Glasgow, N. S. Contract Awarded, $1,500,000 COAL WASHING PLANT, SYDNEY, N. S. Dominion Coal Co., Ltd., Sydney, N. S. Awarded Apr. 12. CD 1/23.

**P. H. Braendel**, 368 40 Ave., Lachine, Que. Contract Awarded, Approx. $775,000, 80 dwellings, 54 Ave., LACHINE QUE., Stoney Point Housing Ltd., 350 39 Ave., Lachine, Que.

## LATIN AMERICA

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Bermuda**—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York 13, N. Y., U.S.A., receiving bids on or about June 15, Long Bird-Hamilton Island Causeway Bridge at Kindley Air Force Base, ENG 30-075-51-629. $700,000. Plans deposit $10.

# PROPOSED PROJECTS

## WATER SUPPLY

**Calif., Los Angeles**—Bd. Supervs. Los Angeles Co., 501 Hall of Records, plans by H. C. Light, 7551 Melrose Ave., 500,000 underground water storage tank and reinforced-con. storage vault, East Los Angeles. $110,000.

**Calif., Redwood City**—City, City Hall, $500,000 bond election May 8, water sys. CD 1/25.

**Colo., La Junta**—City, increasing pumping capacity for town's water sys. $315,000.

**Ky., Springfield**—Springfield Water Bd., reservoir with lines, imprv. pumping plant. $250,000. Howard K. Bell, 533 S. Limestone St., Lexington, consult. engr.

▲ **La., Abbeville**—City, bond election May 28, WW imprvs. $1,275,000.

**N. M., Ruidoso**—Town, Town Hall, WW sys. imprvs. $200,000. Wilson & Co., 1542 Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colo., and 219 W. Gold Ave., Albuquerque, consult. engrs. CD 8/8/9.

**O., North Baltimore**—City, Bd. P. Affairs, WW imprvs., incl. 2 new wells, hydrants, new mains in north section, $120,000. Jones, Henry & Schoonmaker, Security Bldg., Toledo, consult. engrs.

**Okla., Bartlesville**—City, voted bonds, WW imprvs. $325,000. Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., consult. engrs. CD 3/2.

**Okla., Ponca City**—City, defeated bonds, water softener, $100,000. Fred G. Fellows, Ponca City, consult. engr. CD 3/28.

**Ore., Reedsport**—City, City Hall, voted $250,000 bonds, reservoir and relaying water mains, John W. Cunningham, Spalding Bldg., Portland, Ore., consult. engr.

**Tex., Freeport**—City, voted bonds, Proj. 2, water supply well, $40,000; Proj. 4, water mains, $70,000. CD 3/27.


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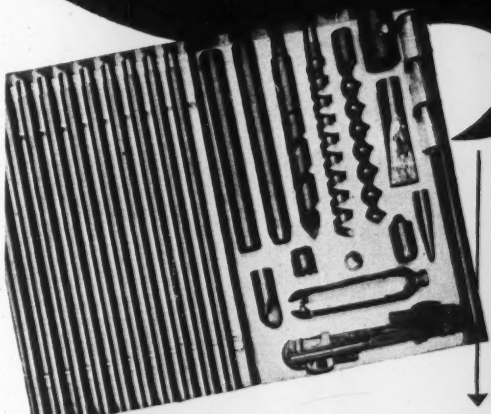

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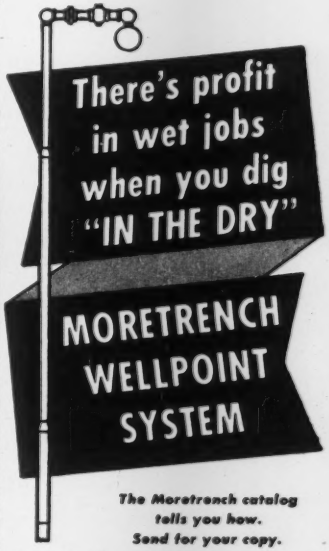


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Tex., Houston—Harris County Water Control & Imprvt. Dist. 22, Court House, WW exten., imprvs., rehabilitation, except supply, $375,000; water supply, wells, $75,000, Sunnyside Community. Garrett Eng. Co., 5008 Almeda Rd., consult. engr. CD 4/5.

▲ Alta., Calgary—Municipality, WW addns. $5,500,000. J. I. Strong, City Hall, city engr. CD 10/28/43.

▲ Ont., Cornwall—City, filtration plant and modernize city's WW sys. $1,500,000.

## SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

Calif., Los Angeles—Bd. Supervs. Los Angeles Co., 501 Hall of Records, sanitary sewers in Sorenson Ave., Los Nietos, $61,848; sanitary sewers Casitas Ave., Altadena, $186,800.

Calif., Redwood City—City, City Hall, $300,000 bond election May 8, sewerage sys. CD 1/26.

▲ Colo., Denver—City and Denver Co., City and County Bldg., Denver, Colo., storm sewers, appurtenances in and for a district known as Northeast Storm Sewer District, $1,117,288. Terry Owens, city engr.

Kan., Clay Center—City, defeated $195,000 bond Apr. 3, sewage disposal plant. CD 3/15.

Ky., Hopkinsville—City, sewage treatment plant imprvs., $150,000, Howard K. Bell, 555 S. Lime St., Lexington, consult. engr. CD 11/12/46.

Mo., Hannibal—City, W. C. Fisher, clk., 2 sewers to serve various areas, $240,000, Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., consult. engrs. CD 4/3.

Mo., Trenton—City, defeated $400,000 bonds, sewage disposal plant. CD 3/29.

Neb., Fremont—City, voted bonds, sewer constr. $150,000. CD 3/22.

▲ Neb., Omaha—City, City Hall, 18 and Farnam Sts., sanitary sewer extens., storm sewers, sewer outlet in the Minne Lusa Dist. $3,500,000. E. W. Woodbridge, city engr.

† N. M., Albuquerque—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1538, Albuquerque, storm sewers, drainage area earthwork, $70,000 and sanitary sewers, $75,000, Serial No. Eng. 29-005-51-31.

N. Y., Hamburg—Village, sewage treatment plant repairs, addn. $200,000.

N. C., Marion—Town, voted bonds Apr. 3, sewage disposal plant, $400,000. CD 12/1.

▲ O., Shelby—City, sewage disposal plant, $1,000,000, Floyd Browne, 413 E. Church St., Marion, consult. engr. CD 11/12/47.

Okla., Bartlesville—City, voted bonds, sewage disposal plant, $500,000. Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo. consult. engrs. CD 3/21.

Okla., Ponca City—City, voted bonds, storm sewer extens. $224,000; sanitary sewer extens., $56,000. Fred G. Fellows, Ponca City, consult. engr. CD 3/28.

Ore., Corvallis—City, City Hall, constr. 4,500 ft. interceptor sewers and treatment plant, $800,000. Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield, Corvallis, consult. engrs. CD 2/8/45.

Pa., Emporium—Emporium Boro, Boro Bldg., sewage disposal plant, $250,000. Chester Engineers, 210 E. Park Way, N.S., Pittsburgh, engrs. A. T. Andrews, c/o owner, engr. CD 1/17/45.

Tex., Freeport—City, voted bonds, Proj. 1, sewage disposal plant, $65,000; Proj. 3, sanitary sewer lines, $75,000. CD 3/27.

Tex., Houston—Afton Oaks Subdivision, 2517 University St., plans by J. B. Dannenbaum, 3940 Main St., storm sewers, $60,000; sanitary sewers, $65,000.

Tex., Houston—Wm. G. Farrington Co., 1719 Sunset St., storm sewers, earthwork, $60,000; sanitary sewers, $65,000, in an additional extension of Tanglewood subdivision.

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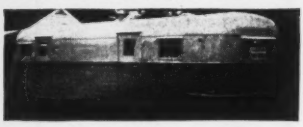

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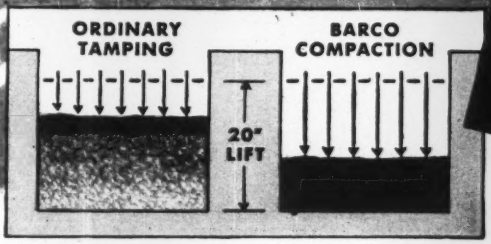


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Tex., Houston—Harris County Water Control & Imprvt. Dist. 22, Court House, storm sewer, $100,000; sanitary sewerage sys. exten., imprvs., rehabilitation, $325,000. Garrett Engr. Co., 5008 Almeda Rd., consult. engr. CD 4/5.

Tex., Pasadena—Joe H. Vickers, 1507 Delano St., Houston, sanitary sewers, $80,000; storm sewers, $65,500, 100 acre tract outside city limits.

Wis., South Milwaukee—City, voted $500,000 bonds, sewers, imprv. sewage treatment plant. CD 2/8/45.

## BRIDGES

Connecticut—State Hy. Dpt., Hartford,

Windsor—bridge, approaches 0.2 mi. Farmington River at Poquonock.

▲ Mich., Detroit—City, Carl D. Warner, comr., P. Wks., rein.-con. grade crossing separation, Mt. Elliott and Lynch Rd. $2,000,000. George R. Thompson, City Hall, city engr. Glenn C. Richard, Detroit, DPW engr. CD 3/30/43.

Pennsylvania—State Hy. Dpt., Harrisburg,

Armstrong Co.—ramp over tracks of Pennsylvania R. R. in West Leechburg, $250,000. E. L. Schmidt, c/o owner, ch. engr.

## STREETS AND ROADS

Colo., Denver—City and Denver Co., City and County Bldg., Denver, Street Paving Dist. 171 concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk, gravel base course, asph. paving, etc. $116,000. Terry Ownes, City Hall, city engr.

▲ Connecticut—State Hy. Dpt., Hartford,

Branford and Guilford, drainage, resurf. 1.1 mi. U. S. 1 from Moose Hill Rd. westerly, $75,000.

East Hartford and Glastonbury—grading, paving 4 mi. Expressway Conn. 2, from Ensign St., East Hartford to Conn. 2, Glastonbury, $400,000.

Glastonbury—grading, paving approx. 1.6 mi. Expressway from Conn. 2 southerly to Conn. 17, $120,000.

Hamden Co.—b. conc. 2.3 mi. road Dixwell Ave. two sections in Hamden, $100,000.

Litchfield and Torrington—resurf. 4.9 mi. Litchfield Center to Torrington City line, $350,000.

Middletown—b. conc. 4 mi. expressway—Conn. 9 Green St. to Main St. exten., $300,000.

Simsbury and Avon—resurf. 2.3 mi. Simsbury-Canton town line to Conn. 10, $85,000.

Vernon—grading 4 mi., for addnl. traffic lane from Conn. 83 to Mile Hill Rd. incl. bridge over N. Y., N. Y. and H. R. R., $700,000.

Windsor—resurf. 2.9 mi. U. S. 5 various sections from Keney Park to Windsor Green, $209,000.

▲ Florida—State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee,

Collier Co.—widn., rebuilding drainage structures, constr. new pavement 8.907 mi. Road 45, between Maples and Lee Co. line, $600,000.

Lee Co.—wid'n., new pavement 2.914 mi. Road 80 from A.C.L. R.R. east of Ft. Myers to Tice, $300,000.

Polk Co.—relocation of Road 540, at Eloise, $40,000.

Taylor Co.—pavement 7.238 mi. Road 14 between Eridu and Road 55, $70,000. S. P. Turnbull, state hy. engr.

Ind., Indianapolis—City, City Hall, street resurf. and sewer project, incl. repaving Emerson Ave. from Brookville Rd. to Lexington Ave., $61,000; resurf. Senate Ave. from Indiana Ave. to 16 St., $139,865; asph. side lanes and c. conc. in center, Catherwood Ave. exten. between Ivanhoe St. and Oak Ave., Oak Ave. exten. from Catherwood to Sheridan Ave. and paving Sheridan from Ivanhoe to Pennsylvania R.R. crossing, $24,000.

Mich., Adrian—City defeated $750,000 bonds Apr. 2, 25 mi. city streets imprvs. CD 3/8.

Mich., Detroit—City, Carl D. Warner, comr. P. Wks., wid'n. Randolph St., Monroe Ave. to Cadillac Square, and Davison Ave. from Livernois St. to Wyoming Ave. $400,000. CD 12/21/44.

▲ Mich., Detroit—Bd. Supvrs., Wayne Co. repair county roads, incl. parts of Greenfield, Seven Mile Rd., Joy,


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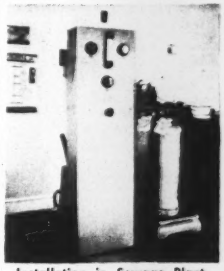
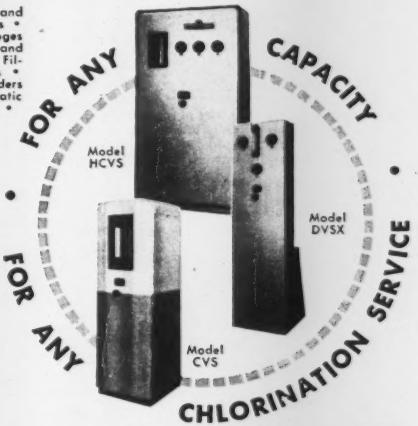


Installation in Sewage Plant, Medina, Pa.

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▲ **Neb., Omaha**—City, City Hall, 18 and Farnam Sts., $3,500,000 bond election Apr. 17, construct city arterial highway. E. W. Woodbridge, city engr.

Tex., Houston—Alton Oaks Subdivision, 2517 University Sts., asph. type street paving, 35 ft. width, esplanades, etc. $125,000. J. B. Dannenbaum, 3940 Main St., consult. engr.

Tex., Seminole—City, street imprv. and paving program, $100,000. Joe E. Ward, Nacol Bldg., Wichita Falls, Tex., consult. engr. CD 2/19.

† Va., Quantico—Pub. Wks. Office, Capt. C. W. Porter, officer, Potomac River Naval Command, Naval Gun Factory, Wash. D. C., repairing roads, Marine Corps School, Guadalcanal Area, clear brush, drainage, culverts and pavement, $450,000. Whitman, Requardt & Assoc., 1304 St. Paul St., Baltimore 2, Md., engrs.

Wash., Wenatchee—Chelan Co., Court House, grading 1.8 mi. Wenatchee Heights, $85,000; 2 mi. at Chelan, $60,000. D. W. West, co. engr. CD 2/24/44.

## EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

Mich., Detroit—City, Carl D. Warner, com. P. Wks., 1st section bulkhead exten. from Randolph to 12 Sts., straightening river frontage. $700,000. George R. Thompson, City Hall, city engr. CD 7/19/44.

## AIRPORTS

▲† Mass., Chicopee—AIRPORT IMPRVS—Air Force Dpt., Westover Air Force Base, constr. operations bldg., hangar, new barracks and other facilities. $2,000,000.

Tex., Cuero—AIRPORT—City, airport. $100,000.

## LATIN AMERICA

Mexico, Mexico City—Remolques Eumex, S.A. Calzada de San Antonio Abad 130, Mexico City, plans passenger-freight trailer factory. $500,000.

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS

▲ **Calif., Fresno**—DORMITORIES, etc.—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, 2 dormitories $1,007,805; agricultural bldg., $755,000; natural science bldg., $744,000; science bldg. addn., $164,000, all at Fresno State College. CD 2/28/45.

▲ **Calif., Sacramento**—PRINTING PLANT—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, plans by Worster, Bernardi & Emmons, 402 Jackson St., San Francisco, and Albert W. Kahl, 42 2 Ave., San Mateo, state printing plant, Approx. $2,780,000.

▲ **Calif., Sacramento**—SCHOOLS—Sacramento City Unified School Dist., 1200 21 St., $6,500,000 bond election May 10, addnl. school construction. CD 5/15/47.

**Calif., San Jose**—MUSIC—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, music bldg. at San Jose State College. $760,000. CD 4/26/43.

▲ **Idaho, Blackfoot**—SCHOOLS—School Bd., Blackfoot voted $685,000 bonds, high school, $1,000,000; 3 elementary school addns., $300,000, Paradice & Hunter, Deitrich Bldg., Pocatello, archts. CD 3/13.

**Idaho, Rupert**—SCHOOL—School Bd., Rupert, defeated bonds, school, $790,000. CD 3/22.

**Ill., Harvard**—SCHOOLS—Harvard Scool Dist. 50, Floyd E. King, supt. Schools, N. Jefferson St., defeated $850,000 bonds, high and grade schools. CD 3/12.

**Ill., Roxana**—SCHOOL—Roxana Community School Dist., S. W. Fry, supt., Roxana, Ill., plans by Wm. B. Ittner, Inc., 408 Bd. Educ. Bldg., 911 Locust St., St. Louis, 1, Mo., 2 story, 1,200,000 cu. ft., architectural cement high school addn. CD 4/6.

▲† **Ia., Council Bluffs**—POST OFFICE, etc.—General Services Admn., General Service Bldg., 18 and F Sts. N. W., Wash., 25, D. C., post office and federal bldg., $2,500,000.

▲ **Kan., Wichita**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., voted $5,276,000 bonds Apr. 3, schools. CD 3/14.

**Kan., Winfield**—SCHOOL—School Bd., voted $195,000 bonds, trade school at high school, $530,000.

▲† **Ky., Fort Campbell**—BARRACKS—U. S. Eng., 830 W. Broadway, Louisville, plans by Louis & Henry, Starks Bldg., Louisville, eight 3 story, brick barracks. $3,000,000. CD 1/25.

▲ **Ky., Hopkinsville**—HOUSING—Hopkinsville Municipal Housing Comn., plans by Meriwether Marye & Assoc., 236 E. Short St., Lexington, 180 family housing units. $1,450,000. CD 12/16/49.

▲ **Ky., Valley Station**—SCHOOL—Jefferson Co. Bd. Educ., 618 W. Jefferson St., Louisville, plans by Fred Hartstein, McDowell Bldg., Louisville, 3 story brick school, $1,000,000, E. R. Ronald Assoc., 554 S. 3 St., Louisville, consult. engrs.

▲† **Md., Annapolis**—ACADEMIC BLDGS.—Dpt. Navy, U. S. Naval Academy, plans by Hall Border & Donaldson, 2517 St. Paul St., Baltimore, altering academic bldgs., mess hall, galley and Bancroft Hall, $3,000,000. CD 11/3/47.

▲ **Mich., Detroit**—ARTS CENTER—City, Bd. Educ., plans by Suren Pilafian, 153 E. Elizabeth St., community arts center bldg., Wayne University, $3,000,000. CD 3/30/43.

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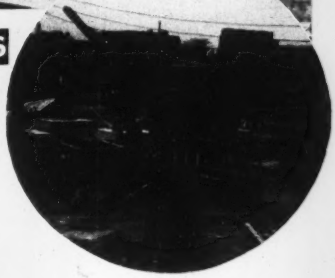

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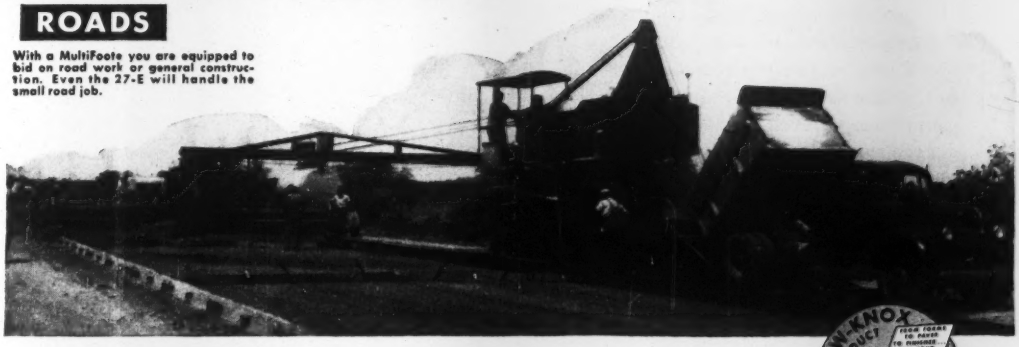

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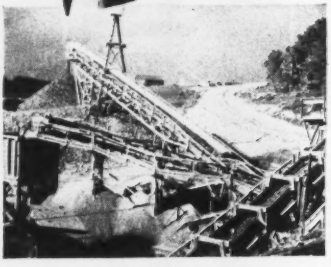

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▲Mich., Detroit—CIVIC CENTER—City, Mayer Edward Cobo, City Hall, plans by Giffels & Vallet, Inc., 1000 Marquette Bldg., civic center, incl. hall and exhibits bldg., West Jefferson, Shelby and Detroit River, $14,000,000.

Minn., Robbinsdale—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Independent School Dist. 24, F. O. Bayard, clk., 4348 Unity Ave., plans by Haxby, Bissell & Bedair, 1211 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, school in Crystal Village, $600,000.

▲ Miss., Greenwood—SCHOOL—City, defeated bonds, school imprvs., $1,750,000. CD 3/14.

▲ Mo., Kansas City—BUILDINGS—School Bd., Library Bldg., 9 and Locust Sts., Zone 6, $18,000,000 bond election May 29, new bldgs., $19,911,100, remodeling, rehabilitation, $4,356,165.

Mont., Laurel—SCHOOL—School Dist. 7, voted $460,000 bonds, elementary school, $660,000, Cushing & Terrell, 212½ N. Broadway, Billings, archts.

▲ Neb., Hastings—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Hastings, $1,850,000 bond election May 22, school constr. CD 11/13.

▲† N. M., Los Alamos—BUILDING—U. S. Atomic Energy Comn., Los Alamos, one 80x130 ft. rein.-con. bldg., pt. single story and pt. multi-storied, one approx. 35x100 ft. single story with bsmnt., rein.-con. bldg., clearing, grading, site imprvs., utilities, incl. water, sewer, power and steam line, $900,000-$1,100,000. Black & Veatch, 4706 Bway., Kansas City, Mo., engrs.

Okla., Ponca City—AUDITORIUM, etc.—City defeated bonds, memorial auditorium and civic center, $650,000; agricultural bldg., roads and facilities, $75,000. Fred G. Fellows, Ponca City, consult. engr. CD 3/28.

Ore., Forest Grove—HIGH SCHOOL—School Bd., Forest Grove, plans by Donald W. Edmundson, Henry Bldg., Portland, voted bonds, Union High School, $687,000. CD 3/7.

▲Tex., Galveston—SCHOOLS—Galveston Independent School Dist., c/o Bd. Trustees, Alamo, 5200 N½ St., $1,000,000 supplemental bond issue voted Apr. 7, Senior High School for Whites, $3,350,000; $750,000 bond issue voted for school for Negroes, $2,400,000. Preston M. Geren, 905 N. P. Anderson Bldg., Fort Worth, archt., R. R. Rapp, Guaranty Bldg., consult. archt. CD 2/28.

Tex., Grand Prairie—HIGH SCHOOL—Grand Prairie Independent School Dist., Grand Prairie, plans by Adams & Adams, 518 W. Davis St., Dallas, Senior High School, $700,000.

▲ Wash., Grandview—SCHOOLS—School Bd., Grandview voted $195,000 bonds, Junior-Senior High School, $1,000,000. CD 2/12.

Wis., Edgerton—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., plans by Law, Law, Potter & Nystrom, 122 S. Pinckney St., Madison, school, $675,000. CD 6/29/50.

Wash., Hoquiam—SCHOOL—School Bd., Hoquiam, plans by John Graham & Co., Dexter Horton Bldg., Seattle, 4 grade school and administration bldg., $650,000. CD 1/11.

▲ Alta., Calgary—GARAGE, etc.—Municipality, civic garage and stores department bldg., $1,000,000. J. Ivor Strong, City Hall, city engr.

▲ Alta., Calgary—CITY HALL—Municipality, city hall, $1,000,000. J. Ivor Strong, City Hall, city engr.

▲ Alta., Edmonton—ORDNANCE DEPOT—Canadian Commercial Corp., 70 Lyon St., Ottawa, Ont., Ordnance Depot, incl. 2 large rein.-con. warehouses north of here, $6,000,000. Main, Rennas & Minsos, MacCosham Bldg., consult. engrs. CD 8/15/49.

▲ Ont., Chalk River—PLANT—National Research Council, Sussex St., Ottawa, constr. atomic reactor at Atomic Energy Plant, Approx. $30,000,000. C. D. Howe Co. Ltd., 301 Pigott Bldg., Hamilton, Ont., engrs. CD 1/8.

▲ Ont., Hamilton—DWELLINGS—Municipality, 360 dwellings Barton and Ottawa Sts. $3,000,000. F. H. Ferris, City Hall, city engr. CD 12/3/48.

▲ Sask., Saskatoon—HOSPITAL—Saskatoon City Hospital, Saskatoon, plans by Frank, Martin, Metropolitan Bldg., Saskatoon, Sask., and Govan, Ferguson, Lindsay, Kathinker, Maw, Langley & Keeleyside, 515 Jarvis St., Toronto, Ont., 75-bed hospital addn. $1,500,000-$2,000,000. CD 11/11/49.


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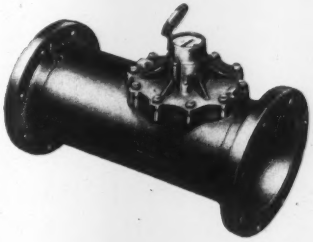

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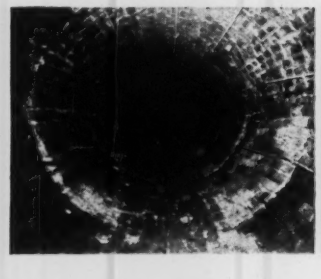

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▲ **Del., Newark**—APARTMENT DEVELOPMENT—Owner, c/o Arthur A. Binns, 2221 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa., apartment development, Newark-Elkton Rd., $2,000,000.

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**Ind., Indianapolis**—CHAPEL, etc.—Broadway Methodist Church, 2820 Broadway, chapel and educational bldg. **$500,000.**

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**Mich., Detroit**—STUDENT ACTIVITIES—University of Detroit, 4001 W. McNichols St., plans by J. E. Stephens Assoc., 320 W. Lafayette St., 3 story student activities, West McNichols St. **$700,000.**

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▲ **Pa., Phila.**—SCHOOL OF EDUCATION—University of Pennsylvania, 209 S. 36 St., building for School of Education, **$1,200,000.**

▲ **Pa., Pittsburgh** — SEMINARY — Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary, 616 W. North Ave., plans by Press C. Dowler, 130 7th St., 1 and 2 story bsmnt., brick, stone seminary. **$2,000,000.**

▲ **Pa., Pittsburgh**—SHOPPING CENTER—Philip Reicher & Assoc., 2271 Shady St., 1 story, bsmnt., 100,000 sq. ft. shopping center, in Ross Twp. **$1,000,000.**

**Tex., Baytown**—OFFICE—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., Houston, plans by Milton McGinty, 2425 Ralph St., Houston, 2nd masonry office. $700,000.

**Tex., Houston** — DWELLINGS — A. B. Brewer, 4905 Walker St., 28 masonry, brick veneer dwellings, concrete pier and beam fdn., in southwest Houston. **$550,000.**

▲ **Tex., Houston**—DWELLINGS—Bert Coates, 2402 Darrington St., 15 masonry dwellings, in new area of Winslow and Tilden Sts., **$375,000;** 18 masonry dwellings, in new area of Conway and Buffalo Speedway, **$450,000;** 20 masonry dwellings, in new areas of Buffalo Speedway and Stanton Sts., **$490,000.**

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▲ **Que., Chicoutimi**—HOSPITAL WING—Religieuses Hospitalieres de Quebec, Chicoutimi, Que., plans by Desaagne & Boileau, 181 Racine St., 12 story, 200-bed addnl. wing to Hotel Dieu Hospital, Hotel Dieu St. Approx. **$2,000,000.**

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▲ Conn., Hartford—FACTORY—The Hartford Electric Steel Corp., 540 Flatbush Ave., factory, off Flatbush Ave. $1,000,000.

▲ Ind., Lafayette—PLANT—Eli Lilly & Co., 740 S. Alabama St., Indianapolis, plant at Elston, 4 mi. southwest of here, on Wabash River, $10,000,000.

▲ Ky., Louisville—FACTORY—General Electric Realty Co., 1 River Rd., Schenectady 5, N. Y., factory, $3,000,000 Albert Kahn Associated Architects & Engineers, Inc., 345 New Center Bldg., Detroit, Mich., consult. engr.

Me., Bangor—WAREHOUSE—R. B. Dunning & Co., 54 Broad St., store and warehouse, parking and railroad siding. $500,000.

▲ Mich., Benton Harbor—FACTORY—The V. M. Corp., Benton Harbor, plans by The Austin Co., 510 N. Dearborn St., Chicago 11, Ill., radio parts factory, $1,000,000. CD 4/3.

▲ Mich., Lansing—PLANT—Oldsmobile Div. General Motors Corp., 1014 Townsend St., plans by Argonaut Realty Div., General Motors Bldg., Detroit, 700,000 sq. ft. compressor and turbine unit, mfg. sapphire jet 65 aircraft engine parts, W. Saginaw St. $6,000,000.

▲ O., Lima—FACTORY—Ex-Cell-O Corp., James K. Fulks, vice pres., 1200 Oakman Bldg., Detroit, Mich., 300x500 ft. factory mfg. small reciprocal parts for jet airplane engines, outside northern edge of city limits. $1,000,000.

▲ Pa., Sharon—MILL—Sharon Tube Co., Sharon, butt weld-mill, $2,000,000 Aetna Standard Eng. Co., Home Savings & Loan Bldg., Youngstown, O., consult. engr. and archt. CD 2/20.

▲ S. C., Rock Hill—PLANT—Celanese Corp., Rock Hill, S. C. plant addn. $20,000,000.

▲ Tex., Garland—REPAIR SHOP and FREIGHT DEPOTS—Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines, K. H. Hanger, ch. engr., Katy Bldg., Dallas, Zone 2, light repair shop, $300,000; freight depots $1,000,000, near here.

▲ Tex., Houston—PLANT—Eastern States Petroleum Co., Inc., Ship Channel, aviation gasoline plant, near here. $2,750,000. CD 1/7/48.

▲ Tex., Houston—REFINERY—Ethyl Corp., City Natl. Bank Bldg., doubling capacity refinery and chemical plant now under construction and also additionally-planned. $28,000,000.

▲ Tex., Houston—LABORATORY—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., plans by MacKie & Kamrath, 2713 Ferndale St., research laboratory, Buffalo Speedway and W. Alabama St. $2,000,000.

▲ Tex., Pasadena—REFINERY—Crown Central Petroleum Corp., Pasadena, refinery expansion. $1,500,000.

▲ Ont., New Toronto—MANUFACTURING EXPANSION—Anaconda American Brass, Ltd., New Toronto, expansion manufacturing facilities incl. tube mill exten., and new copper department. Approx. $4,000,000.

▲ Ont., Plantagenet—REFINERY—Ottawa Valley Sugar Refinery, Louis Pasquiere, mgr., Plantagenet, sugar beet refinery. Approx. $4,000,000.

▲ Que., Montreal—PLANT—Sherry Corp., 527 Sussex Toronto, Ont., plans by E. C. Miller, 485 McGill St., Montreal, plant, Cote de Liesse Rd., Approx. $1,000,000. T. Pringle & Son, Ltd., 585 McGill St., engr.

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N. Y., Binghamton—RADIO and TV STATION—Station WNBF, Arlington Hotel radio and TV station, studio and office $350,000.

▲ Texas—PIPE LINE—Phillips Petroleum Co. & Assoc., Bartlesville, Okla., pipe line gathering systems for pools in Midland, Upton, Glasscock and Reagan Counties, $650,000; approx. 145 mi. 12 in. trunk pipe line, Reagan, Midland, Upton, Glasscock Counties, $1,750,000.

† Tex., Amarillo—GAS SYSTEM—U. S. Atomic Energy Comn., Jos. R. Turan, ch. Contract Div., Los Alamos, gas sys. at Silas Mason Pantex Ordnance Plant, near here. $75,000-$100,000; electric power distr. sys., $750,000-$900,000. CD 4/6 under Public Buildings.

▲ Tex., Garland—RAILWAY YARDS—Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines, K. H. Hanger, ch. engr., Katy Bldg., Dallas, Zone 2, railway yards, (trackage, switches) near here, $1,500,000.


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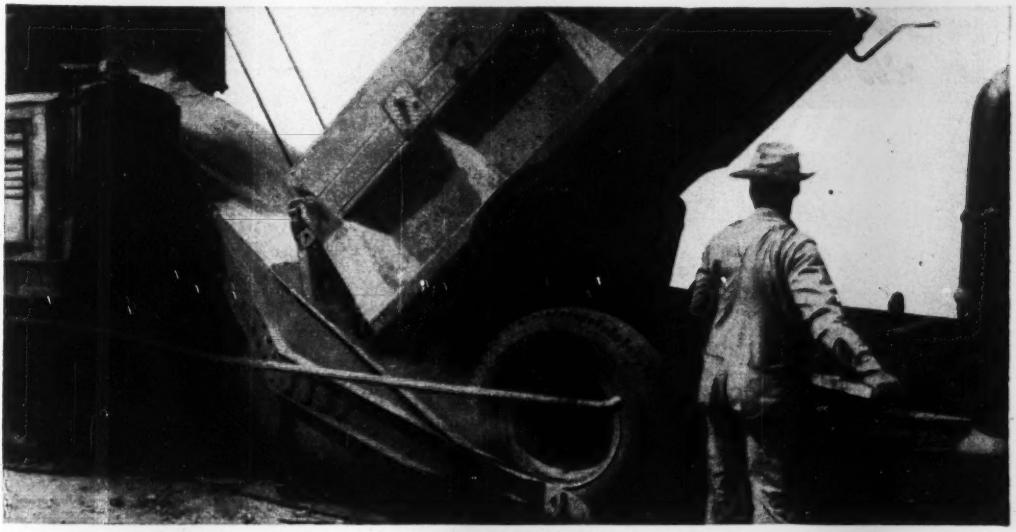

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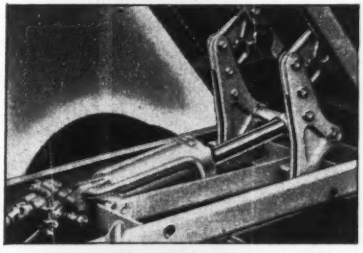

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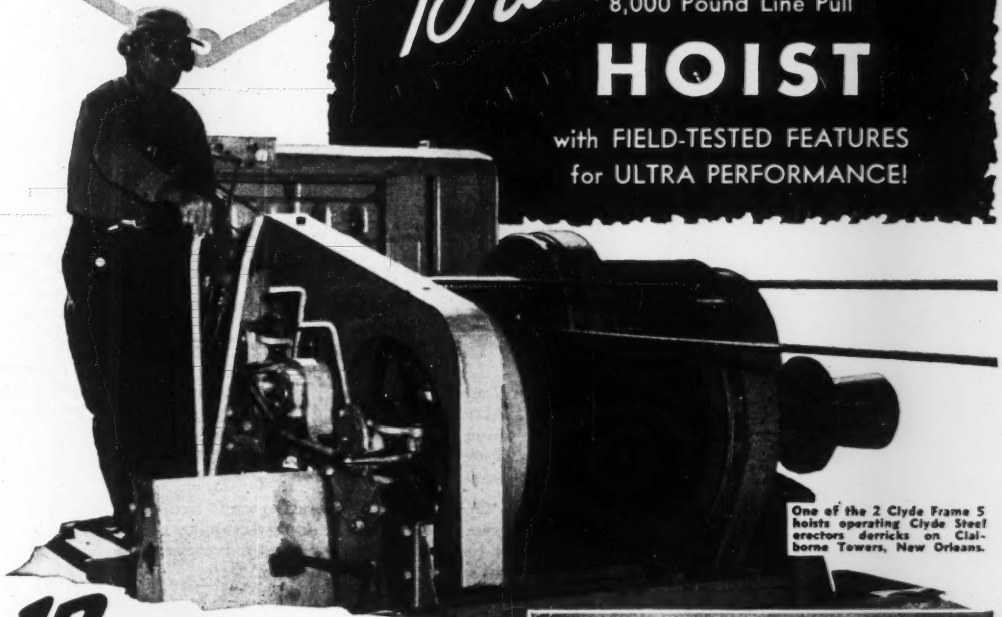

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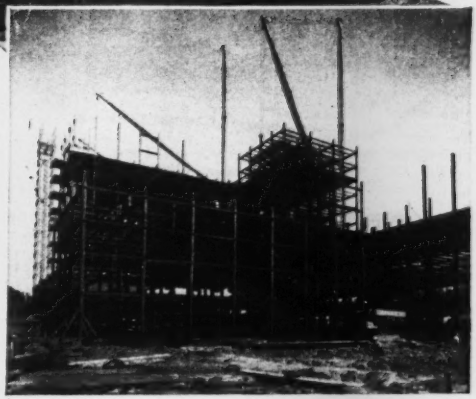

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**ATLANTA** (below) — 5th Street, looking toward Biltmore Hotel. Paved in 1923. Photos were taken in 1924 and 1950.

**LOUISVILLE** (below) — Broad Street was paved with concrete in 1925. The pictures were taken in 1926 and 1950.

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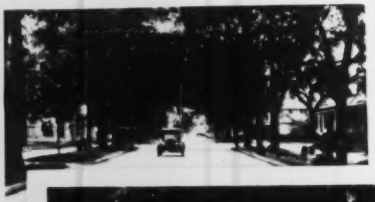

**ALBANY** (right) — Monroe Street was paved with concrete in 1926. Early photo was taken in 1926; the recent view was taken in 1950 at same spot.

# CONSTRUCTION REPORTS-Third Section

## NEW ENGLAND

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
May 1—Massachusetts
May 15—Massachusetts

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† Westcott Constr. Co., 52 N. Washington St., North Attleboro, Mass. Low Bidder, $1,348,000. sewage disposal plant, EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I. Town, Town Hall, East Providence, R. I. Bids Apr. 2. CD 3/30.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

† George A. Fuller Co., 11 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. Contract Awarded. $350,000. BANK addn., alterations, 30 Pearl St., BOSTON, MASS. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, 30 Pearl St., Boston, Mass. Bids Jan. 31. CD 1/24.

## MIDDLE ATLANTIC

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
ROADS
May 1—Maryland
May 10—Delaware

† N. J., Bayonne—FUEL PIPE LINE—B.A. 5/1—P. Wks. Officer Third Naval Dist., 90 Church St., New York, 7, N. Y., fuel pipe line from Bldg. 44C to Berth n-7, at Naval Supply Depot, NOY 24474, Spec. 26725.

New York—PLAYGROUNDS—B.A. 5/1—Comr. Parks, at office Dpt. Parks, Arsenal Bldg., Central Park, 64 St. and 5 Ave., New York, Zone 21, playground at Union Turnpike, 141 St. and Vleigh Pl., Contr. No. QG-14300-150N; playground 106 St., Atlantic Ave. to 94 Ave., Contr. No. QG-18200-150 N, both Queens Co. Plans deposit $10 each.

New York—PARKING FIELD—B.A. 5/4—Long Island State Park Comn. Belmont Lake State Park, Babylon, N. Y. Parking Field No. 1, incl. refreshment stand and comfort station at Jones Beach State Park, Nassau Co. CD 7/25/45.

N. Y., New York—TUNNEL FINISH—B.A. 5/9—At office Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Auth., 111 8th Ave., New York, Zone 11, interior finish for the West 179 Street Tunnel, of George Washington Bridge, Contr. GWB 120.017. Plans deposit $25. CD 3/21; under LB.

New York—PARK IMPRVS.—B.A. 5/23—Palisades Interstate Park Comn., Administration Headquarters, Bear Mountain, N. Y., construct sewage treatment plant for 10,000 population and 200,000 gal. concrete reservoir in the Anthony Wayne area (Queensboro), Harriman State Park, Orange Co. Plans deposit $5, adv. ENR 4/26. CD 6/19/44.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

Pa., New Castle—SCHOOLS—B.A. 4/24—St. Marys Roman Church, New Castle, 2 story, bsmnt., ±7x125 ft., brick parochial school, $300,000. Marlier & Johnstone, 1107 Empire Bldg., Pittsburgh, archts.

Pa., Pittsburgh—PLANT—B.A. 4/24—Hachmeister, Inc., 2332 Forbes St., 1 and 2 story, brick, concrete, steel mfg. plant, Stowe Twp. $500,000. Prack & Prack, 509 Martin Bldg., archts.

† N. J., Port Newark—OFFICE SPACE—B.A. 4/27—P. Wks. office, Third Naval Dist., 290 Church St., New York, 7, N. Y., addnl. office space Bldg. No. 24, Naval Industrial Reserve Shipyard, NOY 26093, Spec. N. 28193.

Md., Hagerstown—HOUSING—B.A. 5/9—Hagerstown Housing Auth., fifty 2 story, brick, concrete, cinder block houses, $450,000. Plans deposit $50. Proctor & Englehardt, 8616 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, archts. CD 2/2.

Md., Towson—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/9—Baltimore Co. Bd. Educ., 1 story, brick, concrete, steel Lutherville School, $550,000. Plans deposit $25, Wm. E. Grey, 328 N. Charles St., Baltimore, archt. Crout, Snyder & Crandall, 500 American National Bldg., Baltimore, struct. engrs., Egli & Gompf, Inc., 1019 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, mech. engr. Bids 3/1 rejected. CD 3/20, under LB.

Pa., Erie—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/9—School Dist. of Erie, e. and French Sts., 2 story, brick, concrete Edison School addn. $350,000. Walter Monahan, 406 Marine Bank, archt. CD 11/20.

Pa., Grove City—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/10—Grove City Hospital, Grove City, 2 story, brick hospital addn. $300,000. W. G. Eckles Co., New Castle, archts. CD 10/26/50.

▲ Md., Annapolis—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/22—Anne Arundel Co. Bd. Educ., 207 Hanover St., 2 and 3 story, cinder block, brick Junior High School, $1,800,000. Plans deposit $50, Harder & Dressell Assoc., 5 Annapolis Hy., Glen Burnie, archts. CD 9/6/50.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† Dravo Corp., Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa. Low Bidders, $7,967,667. est. $8,000,000. reconstruction Lock 2, Monongahela River, concrete land side locks with appurtenances, Braddock, Allegheny Co., Serial NO. CIVENG 3b-058-51-75, PENNSYLVANIA. U. S. Eng., 924 New Federal Bldg., Pittsburgh, 19, Pa. CD 3/1.

LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

▲ Bethlehem Steel Co., 25 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y. Low Bidder, $2,840,950, structural steel for 74th St. POWER PLANT, NEW YORK, N. Y. Bd Transportation, 370 Jay St., Brooklyn, 1, N. Y. Bids Apr. 6. CD 3/22.

† Armiger Constr. Corp. 2127 Maryland Ave., Baltimore, Md. Low Bidder. $319,995. 1 story, concrete, steel, 6,000 sq. ft. EXPERIMENTAL LOADING and FILLING BLDG., EDGEWOOD, MD. U. S. Eng., 24 and Maryland Aves., Baltimore 18, Md. Ralph M. Parsons Co., 617 S. Olive St., Los Angeles, Calif., archts. CD 3/1.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† Thompson Constr. Corp., 11 N. Pearl St., Albany 17, N. Y. Contract Awarded, $444,243, addnl. facilities, Part II, Hermes Proj., MALTA, (P. O. Ballston Spa), N. Y. U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York 13, N. Y. Bids Mar. 28. CD 4/3, under LB.

United States Pipe & Fdry Co., Lincoln-Liberty Bldg., Phila., Pa. Contract Awarded, $266,803. 51,800 ft. 6-to-16-in. water lines, 117 valves, 6-to 16-in., fire hydrants, ANNAPOLIS, MD. City, Mayor and Alderman, City Hall, Annapolis, Md. Bids Mar. 29. CD 3/15.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ Wright Village, c/o Leonard G. Feinen, archt., 320 Lincoln Ave., Hagbrouck Heights, N. J. Owner Builds $5,500,000 garden APARTMENT PROJECT for 528 families on 32-acre tract, Terhune Ave., LODI, N. J.

B. V. Zamore, c/o Petroff & Clarkson, archts., 132 E. 58 St., New York 22, N. Y. Owner Builds, $480,000. 40 one-family HOUSES, Route 17, RIDGEWOOD, N. J.

Brown Bros., 2701 Walnut St., Altoona, Pa. Owner Builds. 1 story bsmnt., 120x126 ft. block, potato chip FACTORY, ALTOONA, PA. George Puderbaugh, 1511 13th St., Altoona, Pa., archt.

E. W. Falck Co., Beaver Rd., Leetsdale, Pa. Contract Awarded. Approx. $85,000. 1 story, 32,000 sq. ft. steel, frame MANUFACTURING BLDG., AMBRIDGE, PA. Weismann Fitting Co., Ambridge, Pa.

Cook Anderson Co., Beaver, Pa. Contract Awarded. Approx. $300,000. 3 story, bsmnt., 39x116 ft. brick, concrete, NURSES HOME, BEAVER FALLS, PA. Providence Hospital, Beaver Falls, Pa. CD 12/18.

John Mohr & Sons, 3200 E. 96 St., Chicago, Ill. Contract Awarded, BLAST FURNACE with 1,000 tons iron daily capacity, MIDLAND, PA. Crucible Steel Co. of America, Midland, Pa. CD 1/4.

Acme Engineering Co., 5131 Cypress St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Contract Awarded. Approx. $100,000. 1 story, 75x132 ft., brick, block WAREHOUSE and SHOP, Hall Sta., Patton Twp., PITTSBURGH, PA. John Conte, (Conte Equip. Co.) Brushton Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. C. A. Lake, Sharpsburg, Pittsburgh, Pa., archt.

Sordoni Constr. Co., Forty Fort, Pa. Contract Awarded. Approx. $150,000. 1 story, 20,000 sq. ft. rein.-con. frame WAREHOUSE and LABORATORY, PORT ALLEGANY, PA. Pittsburgh Corning Glass Co., Port Allegany, Pa. CD 1/30.

Morrow Bros., Inc., 2315 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md. Contract Awarded. $515,200. 3 story, bsmnt., 48x145 ft., steel, rein.-con. Levindale INFIRMARY, Belvedere and Greenspring Aves., BALTIMORE, MD. Associated Jewish Charities, Monument and Eutaw Sts., Baltimore, Md. CD 4/9, under LB.

Rushbrook Manor Co., 1000 Reverdy Rd., Baltimore, Md. Owner Builds. $300,000. thirty-six 1 story, brick family DWELLINGS, BALTIMORE, MD.

Sherwood Manor, Inc., 1600 Sherwood Ave., Baltimore, Md. Owner Builds. $397,700. forty-one 2 story, brick, RESIDENCES, 1600 block Walters Wood Rd., BALTIMORE, MD.

## SOUTH

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
May 2—Louisiana—Maine
May 18—Alabama


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## STREETS AND ROADS

May 2—Louisiana
May 18—Alabama

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Tenn., Tullahoma**—B. A. 5/1—U. S. Eng., Tullahoma, clearing Elk River reservoir. CD 11/14/49 under Public Buildings.

† **Florida**—B.A. 5/1—U. S. Eng., 575 Riverside Ave., Jacksonville 1, Fla., dredging channel alignment vicinity of Delray Beach in Intracoastal Waterway, Jackson to Miami, Serial No. CIVENG 08-123-51-72. CD 6/9/44.

**La., Marksville**—B.A. 5/8—Town, exten. sewage collection sys. Porter, Barry & Switzer, 1730 Main St., Baton Rouge, engrs.

† **Miss., Biloxi**—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—B.A. 5/8— U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1169, 2301 Grant St., Mobile 7, Ala., clearing, grubbing, grading 60 acres, Keesler Air Force Base, Neg 51-86. Plans deposit $5. CD 2/7.

† **Va., Norfolk**—GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM—B. A. 5/8—Pub. Wks. Office, Headquarters, Fifth Naval Dist., U. S. Naval Base, Zone 11, gasoline distribution sys., alteration to piping at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Spec. No. 26537. NOY-24236. Plans deposit $10.

† **Va., Norfolk**—RECREATION FACILITIES—B. A. 5/8—Pub. Wks. Office, Headquarters, Fifth Naval Dist., U. S. Naval Base, Zone 11, enlisted recreation facilities, Naval Base (Marine Barracks) Spec. No. 26782. NOY-24586. Plans deposit $10.

**N. C., Wilson**—B.A. 5/9—At office F. R. Green, city mgr., Wilson, street paving, Sect A, 19,600 lin. ft. clearing channel banks, Sect. B, 28,430 lin. ft., 15-to 54-in. rein.-con. pipe, 92 manholes, 169 catch basins. Plans deposit $25. L. E. Wooten & Co., 306 S. Dawson., Raleigh, engrs.

† **Ga., Fort Benning**—B. A. 5/14—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 869, Savannah, surfacing motor pool areas.

**N. C., Wendell**—B.A. 5/22—Town, M. C. Todd, mayor, Wendell, 500,000 gal. rein.-con. covered water sys. reservoir with piping pump house and automatic controls. Plans deposit $15. Joseph J. Farlow, Raleigh Bldg., Raleigh, engr.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Ga., Thomasville**—WAREHOUSE—B.A. 5/1—W. J. Powell, Thomasville, warehouse. W. Elliott Dunwoody Jr., First National Bank Bldg., Macon, archt.

**Tenn., Jellico**—HIGH SCHOOL—B.A. 5/2—Campbell Co. Bd. Educ., Jacksboro, 40,000 sq. ft. high school. Approx. $300,000. Bealer & Wilhoit, Journal Bldg., Knoxville, archts.

**Ga., Columbus**—SCHOOL—B. A. 5/8—Muscogee Co., Meeler Hill Elementary School. E. Owen Smith, 1236 Wildwood Ave., Columbus, archts. CD 6/26/50.

† **Va., Portsmouth**—BUILDING REPAIRS—B. A. 5/8—Pub. Wks. Office, Headquarters, Fifth Naval Dist., U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Zone 11, repairs to Bldg. No. 62, Spec. No. 26567, NOY-24269 and repairs to Bldg. No. 195, Spec. No. 26563, NOY-24265, at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard. Plans deposit $10 each.

**N. C., Winston-Salem**—YMCA and YWCA BLDG—B.A. 5/10—Young Mens Christian Assn. and Young Womens Christian Assn., c/o Macklin & Stimson, archts., 226 N. Trade St.; Patterson Avenue Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. bldg for colored. Plans deposit $25. CD 4/26/49.

**La., Newellton**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/22—Tensas Parish School Bd., Negro High School. H. H. Land, Ouachita National Bank Bldg., Monroe, archt.

**N. C., Chapel Hill**—DENTAL SCHOOL—B. A. 5/24—University of North Carolina, W. D. Carmichael, controller, Gerrard Hall, Chapel Hill, dental school. Plans deposit $25. Northrup & O'Brien, 602 Reynolds Bldg., Winston-Salem, archts.

**Va., Hanover**—DORMITORY, etc.—B. A. 5/24—State of Virginia, Richmond. Dormitory No. 3 and academic school at Hanover Industrial School for Negroes. $340,000. Plans deposit $50. Merrill C. Lee, 601 E. Franklin St., Richmond, archt.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Clyde J. Keyes**, 20 11 St. S., St. Petersburg, Fla. Low Bidder. $643,990. Bulk fuel storage facilities at MacDill Air Force Base, MACDILL FIELD, FLA. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Fla. CD 3/15.

† **Jahncke Service, Inc.**, 814 Howard Ave., New Orleans, La. Low Bidder. $546,000. 1,050,000 cu. yd. hydraulic fill levee enlargement 20ng south shore of Lake Pontchartrain, Inc. 51-132, Jefferson Parish, LOUISIANA. U. S. Eng., foot of Prytania St., New Orleans 9, La. Bids Apr. 13. CD 3/28.

**Garrett, Moon & Pool, Blackstone, Va.** Low Bidder. $103,442, four-lane bridge and approaches at Pugh's Run north of Woodstock, U. S. 11, Shenandoah Co.***C. H. Lawson, Williamsburg, Va., $103,877, Blackwater River bridge and 1.07 mi. approach roads, Route 40 between Waverly and Spring Grove, Surray and Sussex Counties, VIRGINIA. State Hy. Dpt., Richmond. Bids April 17. CD 4/3.

▲ **J. R. Ford Co., Inc., Lynchburg, Va.** Low Bidder. $72,752, hard surf. and a bridge 2.03 mi. Secondary Route 600, near Stony Point Mills, Cumberland Co.***City Const. Co. Inc., George Washington Hy. and Virginian R.R., Portsmouth, Va. $63,290, c.-conc. wid'n., curb, gutter and sidewalk 1.98 mi. U.S. 60 north from the north corporate limits of Newport News, Warwick Co.***C. H. Lawson, Williamsburg, Va., $82,610, straightening and wid5n. 4.59 mi. Route 5, between the Henrico county line and Charles City Court House, Charles City Co.***Clyde R. Royals, Hampton, Va., $170,375, wid'n. and retaining wall 0.66 mi. Route 167, on the Shore Dr. in Newport News, Newport News City.

**Thompson-Arthur Const. Co., Danville, Va., $67,944,** reconstruction 2.12 mi. Route 46, from Lawrenceville to Cochran, Brunswick Co.***T. F. Franklin, R.F.D., 2, Salem, Va., $73,007, stabil. base and hard surf. 7.97 mi. Secondary Route 603 between Vicksville and Unity, Southampton Co.***Perkins-Barnes Const. Co., Inc., Blackstone, Va., $373,128,** 24-ft. conc. pavement 4.88 mi. U. S. 58 extending the heavy-duty roadway from Courtland to 1.3 mi. east of Emporia, Greensville and Southampton Counties, VIRGINIA. State Hy. Dpt., Richmond, Va. Bids April 17. CD 4/3.

**T. E. Brown, Charlotte, N. C., $306,930,** 24-ft. c. conc. pavement and bridges U. S. 58 over Pole Branch and Colemans Creek to complete the rebuilding of the route from Boydton to U.S. 1 at Big Fork, Mecklenburg Co.***Faulconer Constr. Co., Natl. Bank Bldg., Charlottesville, Va., $165,359,** roadway and concrete arch 1.32 mi. U.S. 211 to replace Mill Creek bridge near Hamburg, Page Co., VIRGINIA. State Hy. Dpt., Richmond, Va. Bids April 17. CD 4/3.

† **Sam Finley, Inc., 1615 Cleveland Ave., S.W. Roanoke, Va.** Low Bidder. $549,810, cold b. conc. Type H-1, $496,460, hot b. conc. Type II, Proj. 2N5-P4-Q6, 27 mi. Blue Ridge Parkway from Black Mountain Gap to U.S. Route 70 & 19 near Asheville, Yancey and Buncombe Counties. NORTH CAROLINA. Bureau Pub. Roads, Dpt. Commerce, 920 S. Jefferson St., Roanoke, Va. Bids April 17. CD 3/20.

▲ **Dickinson, Inc., Monroe, N. C.**—Low Bidder, $1,637,132, Donaldson Army Air Field impvs. GREENVILLE, S. C. U. S. Eng., 33 Custom House, Charleston, S. C. Bids April 16.

† **Cecil's Inc., Spartanburg, S. C.** Low Bidder, $403,558, addnl. buildings at Shaw Air Base, Serial No. Eng. 38-081-51-3 SUMTER, S. C. U. S. Eng., 33 Custom House, Charleston, S. C. Bids April 16. CD 4/11.

**Killoven Co., Appleton, Wis.** Low Bidder. $398,511, rural distr. lines, Bell Co., KENTUCKY, Cumberland Valley Electric Co-operative, Corbin, Ky. Bids Mar. 27. CD 3/23.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

**Plate Constr. Co., Parkersburg, W. Va.** Low Bidder, $436,000, 5 story bsmnt., 45x79 ft., steel, brick, concrete HOSPITAL addn., FAIRMONT, W. VA. City, City Bldg., Fairmont, W. Va. Bids Mar. 31. CD 3/16.

**State Bd. Control, Charleston, W. Va.**, rejected bids 2 story, bsmnt., steel, brick, stone PHYSICAL EDUCATION bldg., School for Deaf & Blind, ROMNEY, W. VA. CD 4/13, under LB.

**W. G. Hollifield Constr. Co., Asheville, N. C.** Low Bidder, $373,977, Hill Street SCHOOL, ASHEVILLE, N. C., City Oak St., Asheville, N. C. Bids Apr. 12. Lindsey M. Gudger, 52 Carter St., Asheville, archt.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Rogers & McGrath**, 1221 Kenilworth Ave. N. E., Wash., D. C. Contract Awarded. $168,500, 2 sewage disposal plants at Camp Upshur and Barrett, QUANTICO, VA. Pub. Wks. Office, Potomac River Naval Command, Naval Gun Factory, Wash., D. C. CD 4/5, under LB.

† **Henry Newton Co., Decatur, Ga.** Contract Awarded, $73,842, Misc. concrete construction, ING MOB and 8,000 Eng. 09-133-51-72, FORT JACKSON, S. C. U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 889, Savannah, Ga. Bids April 12.

**A. P. White & Assoc., 104 Latta Arcade, Charlotte, N. C.** Contract Awarded. Approx. $40,000. 17,000 lin. ft. 16 in. c. i. water mains, ANDERSON, S. C. Duke Power Co., c/o contractor.

**Triangle Constr. Co., Inc., Morgan Bldg., Greenville, S. C.** Contract Awarded, $167,031, Sects. 1 and 2, WW imprvs., maintenance bldg., parking shed, driveways, GREENVILLE, S. C. Const. Pub. Wks., Greenville, S. C. Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., engrs.

† **Hugh McMatth Constr. Co., Brennan Rd., Columbus, Ga.** Contract Awarded. $909,645. Concrete aprons at Warner Robins Air Force Base, MACON, GA. Bids Apr. 6. CD 4/16, under LB.

▲ **Michigan Sewer Constr. Co., 21720 W. 8 mi. Rd., Southfield, Detroit Mich.** Contract Awarded. $1,240,933. Diversion tunnel***L. W. Wells Constr. Co., 1420 Miller St., Saginaw, Mich., $592,562, installing Sec. A-1, $909,439 Sec. A-2***J. E. Millam, 6940 1 Ave. S., Birmingham, Ala., $1,234,570, Sec. 3, all Village Creek Collecting Sewers System, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. Jefferson Co., Court House, Birmingham, Ala. Bids Apr. 3. CD 4/16, under LB.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Schriber Contracting Corp., 615 3rd St. N. E., Wash. D. C.** Contract Awarded. $564,988, addn. to Hoffman-Boston SCHOOL, 1415 S. Queen St., ARLINGTON, VA., Arlington County School Dept., 2732 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va. Bids Mar. 20, awarded Apr. 14. CD 3/30, under LB.

▲ **Doyle & Russell**, Central Natl. Bank Bldg., Richmond, Va. Contract Awarded. Approx. $1,300,000. MUSEUM addns., alterations, RICHMOND, VA. Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, Va. Bids Feb. 28. CD 1/25.

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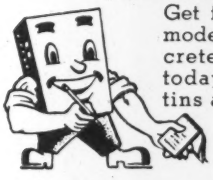

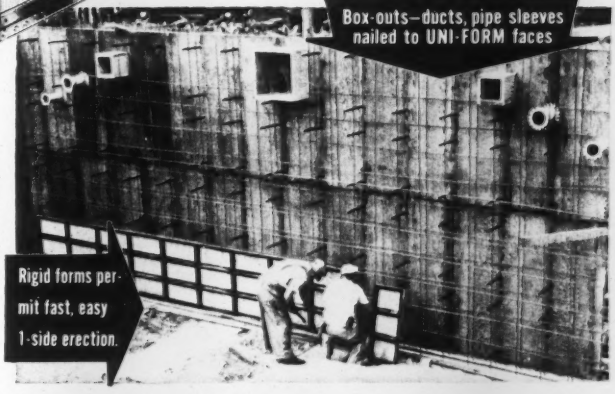


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CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ **Knox Bros. Co.,** Thomson, Ga. Owner Builds. Approx. $2,500,000. 500 HOMES, NORTH AUGUSTA, S. C.

**McDonald Constr. Co.,** Martintown Rd., North Augusta, Ga. Owner Builds. Approx. $750,000. 165 HOMES, NORTH AUGUSTA, S. C.

▲ **Fuller Constr. Co.,** 202 13 St., Augusta, Ga. Owner Builds. $2,000,000. 150 HOMES, off Washington Rd., AUGUSTA, GA.

▲ **Jerome Constr. Co.,** 14 N. Abercorn St., Savannah, Ga. Contract Awarded. $1,200,000. APARTMENT DEVELOPMENT on Sanel Bar Berry Rd., AUGUSTA, GA. Marion Corp. and others, c/o contractor.

**J. F. Holley,** 905 6 Ave. N., Birmingham, Ala. Contract Awarded. $400,000. Y. M. C. A. BLDG., ANNISTON, ALA. Anniston Young Mens Christian Assn., Anniston, Ala.

**Ralph M. Parsons Co.,** 617 S. Olive St., Los Angeles, Calif. Contract Awarded. $500,000. sulphur recovery PLANT, BATON ROUGE, LA. Consolidated Chemical Industries, Inc., 3832 E. 26 St., Los Angeles, Calif.

▲ **Piper Engineering Co.,** 925 Liberty Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Contract Awarded. $10,000,000. Electric furnace steel PLANT, OWENSBORO, KY. Green River Steel Corp., Owensboro, Ky. CD 11/28.

▲ **United Engineers & Contractors,** 1401 Arch St., Phila., Pa. Contract Awarded. $10,000,000. Calcium carbide mfg. PLANT to be operated by National Carbide Co., PADUCAH, KY. Air Reduction Co., Inc., 17 and Allegey Aves., Phila., Pa.

**Cape County Homes, Inc.,** c/o Joel A. Montgomery, Cape Girardeau, Mo. Owner Builds. Approx. $300,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, MEMPHIS, TENN.

**Kemmons Wilson, Inc.,** 4985 Summer Ave., Memphis, Tenn. Owner Builds. Approx. $350,000. 30 HOMES, MEMPHIS, TENN. Northern Perrell, Windrom, 236 Court Ave., Memphis, Tenn., archts.

## MIDDLE WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
May 10—Wisconsin
STREETS AND ROADS
May 10—Wisconsin

**Ind., Hobart**—B.A. 5/2—City, City Hall, 2 sewage treatment works, 1, primary type and 2, activated sludge type, $830,000. Consoer, Townsend & Assocs, 351 E. Ohio St., Chicago, 11, Ill., engrs. Bids 3/30 rejected. CD 2/16.

**Mich., Jackson**—B.A. 5/2—State, A. N. Lanquis, dir. State Bldg. Dpt., Lansing, settling tanks, chlorinator, sewage treatment plant addns., imprvs. Fargo Eng. Co., 120 W. Michigan Ave., engrs. Extended date. CD 3/30.

**Ohio**—B.A. 5/7—Comrs. Montgomery, Darke and Miami Counties, c/o Court House, Dayton, five mi. ditch to drain land in portions Montgomery, Darke and Miami Counties, beginning near Phillipsburg and exten. northeast.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Ill., Hinsdale**—CHURCH—B.A. 5/2—St. Isaac Joques Parish, Hinsdale, church, $300,000. McCarthy & Smith, 69 W. Delaware St., Chicago 10, Ill., archts.

**Mich., Jackson**—SCHOOL—B.A. 5/2—East Jackson School Dist. Bd. Educ., D. H. Conlon, secy., brick, steel school, $350,000. Plans deposit $20. Bimda & Haughey, 510 Post Bldg., Battle Creek, assoc. archts. CD 4/12.

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—HOSPITAL—B.A. 5/10—Sisters of the Ressurrection, 7432 N. Talcott St., Zone 31, 5 story, 18-bed, rein.con. framing, brick, stone hospital, $2,500,000. Schmidt, Garden & Erikson, 104 S. Michigan Ave., Zone 3, archts. CD 4/13.

**Ill., Bellwood**—FACTORY—Bids Asked—National Wheel & Parts Mfg. Co., 1808 S. Michigan St., Chicago, Zone 16, 1 story, steel, concrete, brick, 37,000 sq. ft. FASTORY, 31 Ave. and Oak St., $350,000. Eric A. Stenbeck, 327 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Zone 4, archt.

**Ill., Chicago**—PLANT—Bids Asked—Carl Buddig & Co., 11116 S. Vincennes Ave., meat packing plant addn. $80,000. Ben & Geo. Larson Co., 506 W. 63 St., Zone 21, engr.

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—APARTMENT—Bids Asked—Rosemont Plaza Apartments, 6301 Sheridan Rd., Zone 40, 14 story, 301-unit concrete apartment $2,750,000. Monroe Bowman & Assocs., 221 N. LaSalle St., Zone 1, archts.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ **Thomas McQueen Co.,** Forest Park, Ill. Low Bidder. $1,658,318. Grade separation between Canal and Des-Plaines Sts. ***Allied Structural Steel Co., 20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago, Ill., $1,180,286 steel for same ***Standard Paving Co., 20 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., $234,640. Fifth Avenue Grade Separation, all Congress Expressway, CHICAGO, ILL. Cook Co., County Bldg., Chicago 2, Ill. CD 11/3/49

**Michael Pontarelli,** 4248 N. Kilpatrick St., Chicago 41, Ill. Low Bidder. $956,000. Contr. 1 Ainslee Street System Sewers, CHICAGO, ILL. City, City Hall, Chicago, 2, Ill. Bids Mar. 30.

**Louis Scully & Sons,** 6127 N. Hiawatha St., Chicago 30, Ill. Low Bidder, **$539,329,** auxiliary south side sewer E-1, LaSalle St. from W. 63 to Garfield Blvd., CHICAGO, ILL. City, City Hall, Chicago 2, Ill. Bids Mar. 26. CD 3/31.

▲ **S. A. Healy Co.,** 5569 S. Chicago Ave., Chicago 37, Ill. Low Bidder, **$1,024,409.** Sewers Congress Superhighway 9 Ave. to Des Plaines St., CHICAGO, ILL. Cook Co. County Bldg., Chicago 2, Ill.

**Standard Paving Co.,** 20 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. Low Bidder, **$234,640.** Local drives, between Hiawatha, Chicago and Lake Sts., Wilmette*** **Midwest Landscaping Assocs.,** 3426 Church St., Skokie, Ill., **$79,841,** landscaping 5 mi. between Wilmette Ave. and Dindee Rd., both Edens Expressway*** **Otto Damgard,** 27 Fir St., Spark Forest, Ill. **$86,290,** landscaping between Little Calumet River and Paxton Ave. about 2½ mi.*** **Clauss Bros.,** 1837 N. Harlem Ave., Chicago, Ill., **$88,236** landscaping 2.1 mi. Indiana Harbor Belt R.R. to Little Calumet River, both Calumet Expressway, CHICAGO, ILL. Cook Co., County Bldg., Chicago, Ill. CD 11/3/49.

**Arcole Midwest Corp.,** 3225 Main St., Skokie, Ill. Low Bidder. **$912,503.** Finger C of terminal bldg. O'Hare Field, CHICAGO, ILL. City, City Hall, Chicago, Ill. Bids Apr. 12. CD 3/27.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

**John Felmley Co.,** Peoples Bank Bldg.; Bloomington, Ill. Low Bidder, **$594,300,** general contract girls' DORMITORY ADDNS. at Illinois State Normal University, NORMAL, ILL. State, State Capitol, Springfield, Ill. Bids Apr. 16. CD 2/14/45.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Public Constr. Co.,** 5305 Hohman Ave., Hammond, Ind. Contract Awarded. **$265,550.** 5,100 ft. intercepting sewers, HOBART, IND. City, Hobart, Ind. Bids Mar. 30. CD 2/16.

**Louis Scully & Sons,** 6127 N. Hiawatha Ave., Chicago 30, Ill. Contract Awarded. **$229,189.** Water lines, storm and sanitary sewers, in hospital group, near TINLEY PARK, ILL. State Mental Hospital, Harlem and 183 Sts., Tinley Park, Ill. Bids Feb. 13, awarded Apr. 6. CD 2/2, under Streets and Roads.

**Universal Eng. Co.,** Medford, Wis., Contract Awarded, **$432,567,** Contr. 1, c.conc. 8,406 mi. Pittsville-Wisconsin Rapids Rd., S. T. Hys. 13 land 73, Wood Co. WISCONSIN. State Hy. Comn., Madison, Wisc. Bids Apr. 10. CD 4/16, under LB.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

**Peter Hansen & Son,** 9505 S. Prospect St., Chicago, 2, Ill., Contract Awarded **$400,000,** superstructure 2 story, bsmnt. HIGH SCHOOL, CHICAGO, ILL. Lutheran High School Assoc., 77 W. Washington St., Chicago, 2, Ill. Albert F. Heino 7919 S. Ashland St., Chicago, 20, Ill., archt. Awarded 4/9.

**Blaw-Knox Co., Chemical Plants Div.,** 321 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh Pa. Contract Awarded. Soybean processing PLANT with 250 ton daily capacity, adjacent to Larrowe formula feed plant; **Jones & Hettelsater Constr. Co.,** 1911 Baltimore St., Kansas City, Mo., concrete six-silo soybean elevator with 1,500,000 bu. capacity, ROSSFORD, O. General Mills, Inc., General Mills Bldg., 400 2nd Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Awarded Apr. 12. CD 12/26.

▲ **Sherry-Richards Co.,** 201 N. Wells St., Chicago 6, Ill. Contract Awarded. Approx. **$2,750,000.** 286 unit 21 story, 5'x16'7 ft. APARTMENT, Sheridan Rd. and Briar St., Chicago, ILL. John Mack c/o Shaw, Metz & Dolio, archts., 208 S. LaSalle St., Chicago 4, Ill. CD 2/21.

**Ragnar Benson Inc.,** 4744 W. Rice St., Chicago 51, Ill. Contract Awarded. **$100,000** FACTORY addn. CHICAGO, ILL. Morton Mfg Co., 5121 W. Lake St., Chicago 4, Ill. Victor Charn, 4744 W. Rice St., Chicago 51, Ill., archt. Awarded Apr. 9.

**Hubschman Constr. Co.,** 402 W. Division St., Chicago 51, Ill. Contract Awarded. **$200,000.** 2 story, FACTORY addn., CHICAGO, ILL. School Mfg. Co., (lessee) 235 W. Schiller St., Chicago 10, Ill. Sullivan & Hillman 343 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 4, Ill., engrs. Awarded Apr. 11.

▲ **Green & Gust Co.,** 1154 Lunt Ave., Chicago 26, Ill. Contract Awarded. **$1,150,000.** Steel, brick, stone HIGH SCHOOL, CRYSTAL LAKE, ILL. School Dist. 155 Crystal Lake Bd. Educ., 255 Crystal Lake Ave., Crystal Lake, Ill. Bids Mar. 26, awarded Apr. 3. CD 4/12, under LB.

**H. B. Barnard Co.,** 38 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 3, Ill. Contract Awarded. **$300,000.** DORMITORY, EVANSTON, ILL. Presbyterian Home, 3200 Grant St., Evanston, Ill. Pucker & Jenkins, 400 N. Michigan St., Chicago, Zone 11, archts. Awarded Apr. 3.

## WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

### BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
### STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
### BRIDGES
### STREETS AND ROADS
### May 1—Iowa

† **Missouri**—B.A. 5/1—U. S. Eng., 601 Davidson Bldg., Kansas City, Mo., emergency repair to levee on Grand River vicinity of Brunswick, CIVENG 23-028-51-116. CD 7/19/46.

† **Texas**—B. A. 5/1—U. S. Eng., 1227 Texas and Pacific Bldg., Fort Worth, (U. S. Soil Conservation Service-sponsors). construct 5 earthen flood detention dams, above Lavon Damb Proj. **$715,000.** CD 6/9/44.

† **Montana**—B. A. 5/2—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., clearing 53 acres of Areas 3 and 4 of Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Missouri River Basin Proj. Spec. 604C-22, L. N. McClellan, Bldg. 1A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., ch. engr. CD 5/25/44 under Earthwork.

**Tex., Sweetwater**—TERMINAL-HANGAR—B. A. 5/3—City, Sweetwater, reconstruction terminal-hangar. $65,000.

**Minn., Baudette**—B. A. 5/8—Lake of the Woods Co., F. G. Haag, aud., grading 7.5 mi. between County Aid Road 48, 6 mi. north of Williams to 13.5 mi. north, 143,995 cu. yd. excav., S. P. 39-501-01 (SAR 2), Minn. Proj. S 386 (2), $60,000. Plans deposit $1.25, E. G. Swenson, co. hq. engr. CD 3/15/45.

**Minn., Fergus Falls**—B. A. 5/8—Otter Tail Co., W. Lincoln, aud., grav. surf. 6.9 mi. between 8.75 mi. north of New York Mills, 3.5 mi. south, 2.25 mi. east of Hillview. S. P. 56-517-04 (SAR 1), Minn. Proj. S 245 (5); grade, timber box culverts, grav. surf. 5.8 mi. between Bluffton, 5.5 mi. north, one 6Ox36x32 ft. timber box culvert, one 72x72x36 ft. timber box culvert, S. P. 56-519-01 (SAR 19), Minn. Proj. S 433 (1). Plans deposit $1.80 each, W. P. Huber, co. hy. engr.

**Minn., Walker**—B. A. 5/9—Cass Co., L. C. Peterson, aud., grav. 4.3 mi. between T. H. 210, 0.5 mi. north of Pillager and CAR 22, S. P. 11-508-01 (SAR 1), Minn. Proj. S 445 (1). Plans deposit $1.25; grav. 5.7 mi. between SAR 1, north of Stonybrook and 0.2 mi. east of Cass-Crow Wing Co. Line, S. P. 11-509-01 (SAR 17), and S. P. 18-505-01 (SAR 4), Minn. Proj. S 567 (1). Plans deposit $1.60; grav. base, mixed prime bit. surf. 4.8 mi. between 5 mi. east of T. H. 371 and 9.8 mi. east of T. H. 371 in in Hackensack, S. P. 11-507-02 (SAR 5), Minn. Proj. S 141 (3). Plans deposit 50c. $80,000. Donald Cole, co. hy. engr.

### BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

† **Tex., Marathon**—UTILITY BLDG.—B.A. 5/8—Dpt. Interior, National Park Service, Region 3, Santa Fe, N. M., utility bldg., power house. $90,000. Extended date. CD 3/28.

**Tex., Nacogdoches**—FINE ARTS-AUDITORIUM—B.A. 5/2—State Teachers College of Texas (Stephen F. Austin) Nacogdoches, Tex. fine arts-auditorium, $375,000. Plans deposit $75. Bid date changed. Shirley Simons & Sons, Broadway at 6 St., Tyler, archts. CD 4/4.

**Tex., Houston**—SCHOOL—B. A. 5/9—Houston Independent School Dist., 1600 Washington St., masonry Gurrus (Negro) School addn., $350,000. Plans deposit $25. Milton McGinty, 2425 Ralph St., archt. CD 6/29.

**S. D., Pierre**—NURSES HOME, etc.—B.A. 5/10—St. Marys Hospital, Pierre, nurses home, boiler plant and laundry. $400,000. W. J. Dixon, Mitchell, engr. and archt. CD 11/23/49.

▲ **Tex., McAllen**—HOUSING—B.A. 5/10—McAllen Housing Auth., McAllen, 140 housing units for total 51 one and two story bldgs., concrete slab fdn., brick, haydite cavity exterior walls, constr. Tex. 28-1. $1,110,000. Plans deposit $50. Boese & Harkrider, Texas and Pacific Bldg., Fort Worth, archts., Zeb Rike, Nelson Bldg., assoc. archt. CD 10/24/49.

† **N. M., Alburqueque**—ADMINISTRATION—B. A. About 5/16—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1538, service administration bldg. (P-51-2), Sandia Base, Serial No. Eng. 29-005-51-40. Plans deposit $25.

**Tex., Midland**—BANK and OFFICE—Bids Asked—Midland National Bank, Main and Wall Sts., 2 story bank and office. $490,000. CD 3/5.

### LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.,** 1127 S. 70 St., Milwaukee, Wis. Low Bidder, **$2,864,740,** hydraulic turbines for Fort Randall Reservoir Proj. Inv. 92, SOUTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Apr. 5. CD 1/25.

**Jahncke Service, Inc.,** 814 Howard Ave., New Orleans 4, La. Low Bidder, **$875,429.** 2.108 mi. hydraulic embankment Hy. U. S. 90, Proj. F 1091 (2) and FI 1091 (3), Orange Co. TEXAS. State Hys Comn., Austin, Tex., Bids April 17. CD 3/28.

**U. S. Eng.,** 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Tex., cancelled bids to have been opened April 10, dredging Anahua Channel in Chambers Co. Inv. No. CIVENG 421-243-51-85. TEXAS. U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Tex. CD 4/3.

▲ **Gaylord Constr. Co.,** 806 Blodgett St., Houston, Tex. Low Bidder, **$91,934.** est. $60,000. asph. leveling course 23,934 mi. Hy US 67 and 84, Proj. C 54-6, 8 and 9-14, 7 and 7, Brown and Mills Counties*** **M. B. Killian & Co. Inc.** and **Killian House Co.,** P. O. Box 1981, San Antonio, Tex., **$589,695.** est. $200,000, grading, structures, pavement 0.308 mi. Hy US. 81, Proj. UI 1089 (12), Bexar Co.*** **W. S. Crawford Co.,** 5350 Montrose Dr., Dallas and **Joe Davidson,** P. O. Box 439, Terrell, Tex., **$111,579.** est. $80,000. grading, structures, base and surf. 10.703 mi. Hy FM 1530 and 1533, Proj. W 1465-1-1, Delta Co.*** **Austin Road Co.,** P. O. 1590, Dallas, Tex., **$322,503.** est. $300,000. grading, structures, c. conc. pavement 0.391 mi. Hy US, 75 Proj. FI 466, (23), Galveston Co.*** **H. B. Zachary Co.,** P. O. Box 2570, San Antonio, Tex., **$633,932.** est. $200,000. grading, structures, base and surf. 7.816 mi. Hy US 287, Proj. F. 449 (3), Clay Co.*** **Uvalde Const. Co.,** P. O. Box 3027, Dallas, Tex., **$234,665.** est. $200,000. base and surf. 15,526 mi. Hy. FM 636, 1129 and 2603, Proj. S 570 (4), etc., Navarro Co. TEXAS. State Hy. Comn., Austin, Tex. Bids April 17. CD 3/28 and 4/2.

▲† **Peter Kiewit Sons' Co.,** 1024 Omaha Natl. Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb. Low Bidder, **$1,294,707,** est. $1,157,160, constr. Willow Creek Dam, Colorado-Big Thompson Proj., Spec. DC-3343, COLORADO. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids Apr. 10. CD 3/8.

### LOW BIDDERS—BUILDINGS

**Bd. Educ.,** S. S. Vohs, clk., Ceylon, Minn. rejected bids Apr. 10, 2 story school addn., 30x100 ft. classroom wing, 96x100 ft. auditorium, CEYLON, MINN. **$300,000.** Will re-advertise. CD 3/21.

▲ **D'Arcy Leck Constr. Co.,** 2838 Stevens Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Low Bidder, **$1,043,361.** general constr. 3 story, ground floor, 62x242 ft. CLASSROOM BLDG., 24x122 ft., bsmnt. GYMNASIUM connected by tunnel, College of Education, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. University of Minnesota, R. S. Calloway, purch. agt., 323 Admin. Bldg., Minneapolis 14, Minn. Bids Apr. 4. CD 3/21.

**Potter Co.,** Court House, Amarillo, Tex., rejected bids April 9, NURSES HOME addn. and remodeling, AMARILLO, TEX. CD 3/27.

**Hester Constr. Co.,** Lubbock, Tex., Low Bidder, **$85,760.** est. $110,000. service SHOP and WAREHOUSE, in city Park, LUBBOCK, TEX. City, Lubbock, Tex. Bids April 12. CD 3/30.

† **The Holloway Co.,** Box 84, Albuquerque, N. M., Low Bidder **$92,225,** 2 WAREHOUSES; **$115,153,** 2 SHOPS, Serial No. ENG 29-005-51-26, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. U. S. Eng., 2132 E. Central Ave., Albuquerque, N. M., Bids April 12. CD 4/2.

### CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

**Lysne Constr. Co.,** Blooming Prairie, Minn. Contract Awarded. **$94,456.** 9,234 sq. yd. 9-7-9 c. conc. paving, 15,389 sq. yd. 7-5-7 c. conc. paving, integral curb, etc., ALBERT LEA, MINN. City, W. C. Hyde, mgr., Albert Lea, Minn. Bids Apr. 9. CD 4/4.

**Reno Constr. Co.,** Overland Park, Kan. Contract Awarded. **$166,394.** 24 ft. b. conc. surf. 4.052 mi. Platte Co., MISSOURI. State Hy. Dpt., Jefferson City, Mo. Awarded Mar. 17. Bids 3/2 rejected. CD 3/7, under LB.

**Urban Development Corp.,** subsidiary of Forrest Lumber Co., 1300 Fourth St. Lubbock, Tex., Purchase and Hire. **$57,500.** WW, LUBBOCK, TEX.

**Urban Development Corp.,** subsidiary of Forrest Lumber Co., 1300 Fourth St., Lubbock Tex. Purchase and Hire. **$47,000.** area earthwork, drainage, grading, LUBBOCK, TEX.

**Urban Development Corp.,** subsidiary of Forrest Lumber Co., 1300 Fourth St., Lubbock, Tex. Purchase and Hire. **$71,000.** street constr. and asph. paving, LUBBOCK, TEX.

**Tex-Harvey Pipe Line Co,** Midland, Tex. Own forces. **$479,000.** 56 mi. 12, 8 and 6 in. trunk pipe lines, crude oil, Midland, TEXAS. CD 3/28.

**Wm. G. Farrington Co.** 1719 Sunset St., Houston, Tex. Own forces. **$53,300.** c.i. water lines, facilities, HOUSTON, Tex.

**Wm. G. Farrington Co.,** 1719 Sunset St., Houston, Tex. Own forces. **$62,500.** storm sewers. Approx. $60,000. sanitary sewers. HOUSTON, TEX. CD 4/11.

**Wm. G. Farrington Co.,** 1719 Sunset St., Houston, Tex. Own forces. **$70,175.** street const. asph. type paving. HOUSTON, TEX.

**City,** Pear Ridge, Tex. Purchase and Hire. $62,500. inverted penetration type street paving, PEAR RIDGE, TEX. CD 11/20.

### CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ **W. D. Giertsen Co.,** 900 Glenwood Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Contract Awarded. **$1,289,032.** general constr. 2 story HIGH SCHOOL, EXCELSIOR, MINN. Bd. Educ., Minnetonka School Dist. 7, W. O. Nilsen, supt., Excelsior, Minn. CD 3/23, under LB.

**Armco Drainage & Metal Products, Inc.,** 3500 Maury St., Houston, Tex. Separate Contracts, Approx. **$150,000.** PLANT addn. HOUSTON, TEX. CD 3/16.

**Estes & Hicks** c/o Eastwood Oaks, Houston, Tex. Own Forces. **$325,000.** HOUSING, HOUSTON, TEX. CD 3/28.

▲ **Procon, Inc.,** c/o **Universal Oil Products Co.,** engrs. 310 S. Michigan St., Chicago, Ill. Contract Awarded. Approx. **$12,000,000.** REFINERY expans. on LaPorte Rd. mfg. chemical elements used in mfg. of aviation gasoline and jet fuels HOUSTON, TEX. Shell Oil Co., Shell Bldg., Houston, Tex. CD 10/17/40.

**Cadenhead Constr. Co.,** Longview, Tex. Contract Awarded. **$500,000** first unit of HOUSING, LONGVIEW, TEX. Cadenhead Constr. Co. and Subdivision Developers, Inc., Longview, Tex. CD 4/11.

**G. D. Porter Constr. Co.,** Box 661, Midland, Tex. Contract Awarded **$86,678,** news agency WAREHOUSE, MIDLAND, TEX. Earl A. Johnson, 110 N. West Frost Ave., Midland, Tex. J. J. Black, 801 W. Kansas Ave., Midland, Tex., archt.

▲ **R. F. Ball Constr. Co.,** Box 13097, Houston, Tex., Contract Awarded, **$1,777,000.** general constr. HIGH SCHOOL, SNYDER, TEX. Snyder (Consolidated) Independent School Dist., Snyder, Tex. Bids April 12. Awarded April 16. CD 4/18, under LB.

## FAR WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
May 9—California
May 10—California
STREETS AND ROADS
May 9—California

† **California**—B.A. 5/1—Bureau of Public Roads, Dpt. Commerce, 180 New Montgomery St., San Francisco, Zone 5.

**San Bernardino Co.**—road constr., 5.224 mi., Calif. F. H. 68-D1, E2, F1, G1, H1, Mill Creek. CD 6/24/44.

**Calif., Los Angeles**—B.A. 5/7—Los Angeles Dpt. Water & Power, 207 S. Broadway, enlargement of 5,000 ft. 36-in. steel pipe, Westgate Trunk Line, $200,000. S. B. Morris, engr. CD 1/15/45.

**Calif., Firebaugh**—B.A. 5/8—City, City Hall, constr. sewage pumping plt. for city. Plans deposit $10. J. A. Ross, 421 Rowell Bldg., Fresno, city engr.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

**Ore., Portland**—STORE—B.A. 5/8—J. J. Newberry Co., Exchg. Bldg., remodel, enlarge storage. Extended date. Glen Stanton, Concord Bldg. archt. CD 4/16.

† **Arizona**—OPERATORS HOUSE, etc.—B.A. 5/2—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Phoenix, Ariz., one 3 bedroom operator's house, sewage disposal and domestic water systems and fencing at Tucson Substation Davis Dam Proj., Spec. 3006-20. L. N. McClellan, Bldg. 1-A Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., ch. engr.

**Calif., San Francisco**—FIRE HOUSE—B.A. 5/9—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, San Francisco, Park Merced Fire House. Plans deposit $50. CD 2/5/45.

LOW BIDDERS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co.**, Newport News, Va. Low Bidder. $1,629,625, three 74,000 hp. hydraulic turbines for Folsom Power Plant Central Valley Proj., Spec. DS-3344. CALIFORNIA. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids Apr. 12. CD 3/22.

▲ **Lee J. Immel**, P. O. Box 175, San Pablo, Calif., Low Bidder, $105,423. Plant mix surf. on 2.4 mi. portions of Eastshore Hys., between Ashby Ave. and El Cerrito Overhead near Berkeley, Alameda Co.; **Chas L. Harney, Inc.**, 575 Berry St., San Francisco, Calif., Low Bidder, $1,446,641. Grading, grade separation structures 1.3 mi. between Army and 17 Sts., San Francisco. CALIFORNIA, State Dist. Hys., P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, Calif. Bids Apr. 11. CD 3/19.

CONTRACTS—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **Guy F. Atkinson Co.** and **Ostrander Constr. Co.**, Cascade Bldg., Portland, Ore., and **J. A. Jones Constr. Co.**, 209 W. 4 St., Charlotte, N. C., (McNary Dam Contractors). Contract Awarded. $58,416,491. Completion of McNary Dam. CIVENG 45-164-51-40, Umatilla Co., OREGON-WASHINGTON. U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash. Bids April 12. Awarded April 16. CD 4/16, under LB.

▲ **Dan Caputo & Edw. Keeble**, 2711 Moorpark Ave., San Jose, Calif., Contract Awarded. $1,030,129, impr. 12 St. Dam and adjacent streets, traffic separation etc., OAKLAND, CALIF., City, City Hall, Oakland, Calif. Bids Apr. 3, awarded Apr. 11. CD 4/17, under LB.

CONTRACTS—BUILDINGS

▲ **Barrett & Hilp**, 918 Harrison St., San Francisco, Calif. Contract Awarded. $2,000,000, 1 story, 160,000 sq. ft. steel, concrete WAREHOUSE, San Mateo Ave., SOUTH SAN FRANSISCO, CALIF. General Warehouse Co., 1 Drumm St., San Francisco, Calif. Ward & Bailey, 215 Leidesdorff St., San Francisco, Calif., archts. Awarded Apr. 13.

▲ **Parker, Steffens & Pearce**, 135 South Park St., San Francisco, Calif., Contract Awarded. $1,378,300. San Carlos-Belmont High SCHOOL on Alameda de las Pulgas, REDWOOD CITY, CALIF., Sequoia Union High School Dist., Sequoia High School, Redwood City, Calif. Bids Apr. 4, awarded Apr. 13. CD 4/11, under LB.

## ALASKA

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲† **E. V. Lane Co.**, Box 417, Palo Alto, Calif. Contract Awarded, approx. $1,900,000, oil line installation and unloading facilities, FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., (APO 942, c/o PM, Seattle, Wash.) Anchorage, Alaska. CD 3/13.

## U. S. POSSESSIONS

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ **Zequeira & Pinero, Inc.**, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Contract Awarded, $1,298,600, construct runway and taxiway at the Isla Verde International Airport, PUERTO RICO. Puerto Rico Transportation Auth., San Juan, Puerto Rico. Bids Mar. 8, awarded Apr. 6. CD 3/29, under LB.

# OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: May 9, 1951

### State Road Work

Sealed proposals will be received by the State Highway Department at its offices in Dover, Delaware, until 1:00 P.M., E.S.T., May 9, 1951, and at that time and place publicly opened for a contract involving the following approximate quantities:

Contract 324

BROWNS CHURCH TO JACOBS SCHOOL
Sussex County
24' Bituminous Concrete Roadway
2.374 Miles

37,000 C. Y. Excavation
150 C. Y. Structure Excavation
2,000 C. Y. Borrow
300 C. Y. Borrow Pit Stripping
16,000 C. Y. Selected Borrow
40,000 S. Y. Waterbound Macadam
7,500 T. Hot-Mix Asphalt Surface
150 S. Y. Patching
50 C. Y. Cement Concrete Masonry
170 S. Y. Waterproofing
6,000 Lbs. Reinforcing Steel
410 L. F. 12" R. C. Pipe
280 L. F. 15" R. C. Pipe
240 L. F. 18" R. C. Pipe
110 L. F. 24" R. C. Pipe
350 L. F. 7" Cement Concrete Curb
5 Each Catch Basins Type PW
1 Each Catch Basin Type PW-1
2 Each Catch Basins Type PW-2
2,750 Lbs. Castings
70,500 S. Y. Topsoil
15 A. Seeding
14,000 S. Y. Sodding
800 Gal. R. C. 1 Asphalt
800 Gal. R. C. 3 Asphalt
35 T. Crushed Chips
35 T. Slag Chips
700 S. Y. Removal Present Pavement
200 L. F. Ditching

The Employment Agency for this Contract shall be the Delaware State Employment Service, Wagamon Building, The Circle, Georgetown, Delaware.

Attention is called to the Special Provisions in the proposal, specifications and contract agreement.

Performance of contract shall commence within ten (10) days after execution of the contract and be completed as specified.

Monthly payments will be made for ninety (90) per cent of the construction completed each month.

Bidders must submit proposals upon forms provided by the Department.

Each proposal must be accompanied by surety bond, certified check, or money to the amount of at least ten (10) per centum of the total amount of the proposal.

The envelope containing the proposal must be marked "Proposal for the construction of State Highway Contract No. ..."

The Contract will be awarded or rejected within twenty (20) days from the date of opening proposals.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Complete sets of plans and specifications may be obtained after April 20, 1951, upon receipt of five dollars ($5.00) for each set, which amount will not be refunded.

Make checks payable to the State Highway Department.

STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
By: J. Gordon Smith,
Chairman

R. A. Haber, Acting Chief Engineer
Dover, Delaware
April 11, 1951

### U. S. Government

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation, Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3387) will be received by Bureau of Reclamation, Huron, South Dakota, until May 17, 1951, and then publicly opened for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work for the construction of Rapid City-Wall-Midland 115-kilovolt transmission line, Missouri River Basin Project. The work is situated between Rapid City and Midland, South Dakota. The line will be 115,000-volt, 3-phase, single-circuit, wood-pole, H-frame type, approximately 109 mi. long, with 2 overhead ground wires strung the entire length; and other work. Desired time for completion is 200 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Huron, South Dakota; or Building 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

### U. S. Government

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation, Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3390) will be received by Bureau of Reclamation, Lindsay, California, until May 22, 1951, and then publicly opened for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work for the construction of Tranquer Pumping Plant and High Level Distribution Reservoir, Lindsay Strathmore Irrigation District, Central Valley Project, California. The work is situated approximately 1½ miles east of Lindsay, California. Principal items are approximately: 36,000 cu. yds., excavation for pumping plant and reservoir; 2,600 cu. yds., concrete in pumping plant and reservoir; furnishing and installing structural steel framing for pumping plant; installing 175,000 lbs. of distribution piping; installing 103,000 lbs. of pumping units; furnishing and installing miscellaneous items of equipment such as heating and ventilating system, water treatment equipment, gates and hoists, pipes, valves, fittings, etc.; and other work. Time allowed for completion will be 360 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Lindsay, California; or Building 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation, Sealed bids, Invitation No. DS-3386) will be received by the Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado, until May 24, 1951, and then publicly opened for furnishing one vertical-shaft, 300-rpm pump turbine with a pumping capacity of 370 cfs under a head of 240 ft.; and one 13,000-hp., unity power factor, 300-rpm, 13,000-volt, 3-phase, 60-cycle, vertical shaft synchronous motor for Flatiron Power and Pumping Plant, Colorado-Big Thompson Project, Colorado. Delivery is desired within 540 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Building 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, April 16, 1951. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of the Division Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Virginia, until 11:00 A.M., E.S.T., May 18, 1951, for Project 123, Baltimore-Washington Parkway, Prince Georges County, Maryland. Reinforced Concrete Structures with Stone Facing over East-West Highway and Approaches. Length 0.152 mile. The approximate quantities of the more important items are as follows: 52,500 cu. yd. Excavation, 1,312 cu. yd. Cement Concrete, 310,700 lb. Reinforcing Steel and 791 cu. yd. Stone Masonry. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. For plans and specifications, a deposit of $10.00 cash or CERTIFIED check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States, will be required to insure their return within 15 days after the opening of bids. Plans, specifications and proposal forms may be obtained at the address given above. H. J. Spelman, Division Engineer.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation, Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3385) will be received by Bureau of Reclamation, Elephant Butte, New Mexico, until May 15, 1951, and then publicly opened for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work for the construction of Belen and Willard substations, Rio Grande Project, New Mexico-Texas. The work is situated near Belen and Willard, New Mexico. Principal items are approximately: grading 800 cu. yds.; installing one power transformer and 120,000 lbs. other electrical equipment; furnishing and installing 32,000 lbs. of steel structures, 7,000 lbs. electrical materials, and 5,000 lin. ft. of conductor; furnishing and erecting 2 prefabricated service buildings; and other work. The work is divided into 2 schedules. Time allowed for completion will be 315 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Elephant Butte, New Mexico; or Building 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

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# OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

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Bids: May 1, 1951

## THE HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER COMMISSION OF ONTARIO

SIR ADAM BECK-NIAGARA GENERATING STATION NO. 2
TENDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HYDRAULIC TUNNEL

Sealed tenders, in duplicate, addressed to the undersigned and clearly marked "Tender for Hydraulic Tunnel, Section No. ——, Sir Adam Beck-Niagara Generating Station No. 2" will be received up to 4 p. m. Eastern Standard Time

Tuesday, May 1st, 1951

for the construction of any or all of the four Sections of Hydraulic Tunnel, each approximately 6,225 feet in length, of circular cross-section, concrete-lined, with 45 feet finished diameter. The principal features of the work to be performed in each Section comprise:—one work shaft, excavation of tunnel, installation of structural steel support, construction of concrete lining reinforced where required, grouting of rock and behind concrete lining wherever necessary, and dewatering of the work.

Copies of Form of Agreement, Information for and Instructions to Tenderers, General Conditions and Specification, Plans, Form of Tender and Labour Agreement may be obtained on or after March 30th, 1951 from the Director of Supply, 620 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, upon payment of a deposit in the amount of $1,000.00 per set, which amount will be refunded upon submission of a tender accompanied by the required security. If no such tender is submitted but the documents are returned in good order $750.00 of the said deposit will be returned. Failing return of the documents in good order the Commission will retain the full amount of the deposit.

Each tender for each Section of the Hydraulic Tunnel must be accompanied by a certified cheque on a Canadian Chartered Bank for the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) payable to the order of the Commission. The Tenderer to whom a contract is awarded shall be required to provide a performance bond satisfactory to the Commission for fifty per cent (50%) of its tender price. Each certified cheque, furnished by each Tenderer, will be retained by the Commission until the contract for the Section to which it applies has been executed and the required performance bond has been furnished. As soon as possible thereafter, the certified cheques of the unsuccessful tenderers will be returned. If a Tenderer after being awarded a contract for a Section, refuses to execute the contract or fails to furnish the required performance bond, Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00) of the proceeds of the certified cheque of such Tenderer shall be forfeited to the Commission as ascertained and liquidated damages and the balance returned. If a successful tenderer fulfills the obligations as to executing a contract and furnishing a performance bond, its certified cheque will be returned.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Robert H. Saunders, C.B.E., K.C.,
Chairman, and Members of The
Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.
620 University Avenue,
TORONTO 2, Ontario.

Bids: May 9, 1951

## Nurses' Home

ONONDAGA COUNTY HOME
Onondaga Hill, New York

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received until 2:00 P.M., E.D.T., May 9, 1951, by Robert W. Sollinger, County Purchasing Agent, in Room 107 at the Onondaga County Court House, Syracuse, New York, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud, for the construction of the above project.

Sealed Proposals shall be received for the following divisions of the work:
Contract No. 1—General Construction
Contract No. 2—Plumbing and Sanitary System
Contract No. 3—Heating and Ventilating
Contract No. 4—Electric Wiring System
Contract No. 5—Elevators, and Elevator Fronts and Doors

The Instructions to Bidders, Forms of Proposal, Form of Contract, Drawings and Specifications may be examined in the office of the County Purchasing Agent and at the Office of the Architects, Vedder and Curtin, A.I.A., 527 South Warren Street, Syracuse, New York. The above Documents shall also be on file for examination by prospective Bidders, Sub-Contractors and Materialmen, as follows:
Syracuse Builders' Exchange, Durston Bldg., Syracuse, N. Y.
Rochester Builders' Exchange, Rochester, N. Y.
Albany Builders' Exchange, Albany, N. Y.
Buffalo Builders' Exchange, Buffalo, N. Y.
Brown's Letters, 101 Park Avenue, New York City
Dodge Reports, 110 West 40th St., New York City
Dodge Reports, 361 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Sets of the above Documents are obtainable from the County Purchasing Agent by depositing $50.00 for each set. Those who submit a Sealed Proposal for Prime Contracts to the County of Onondaga for this Project will be refunded their deposits in full if the Documents are returned in good condition on or before May 14, 1951. Others who receive the above Documents will be refunded one half of their deposits if the Documents are returned in good condition on or before May 14, 1951.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

Robert W. Sollinger
Onondaga County
Purchasing Agent

April 4, 1951
Syracuse, New York

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Department of Public Works. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: BOSTON CENTRAL ARTERY (Embankment Road Connection). Separate sealed proposals for the Substructure and Approaches (Contract E-1), the Steel Superstructure (Contract E-2), and Deck, Electrical Work and Snow Melting System (Contract E-3), for a single and double deck elevated highway structure, will be received at Room 427, 100 Nashua Street, Boston, Mass., until 12 o'clock noon (DST) of Tuesday, May 15, 1951 and at that place and time publicly opened and read. Charge for one set of plans (applicable to all three contracts) and proposal form for one contract: $50.00, amount returnable only to bidders who return plans in good condition within three days after opening of bids. Additional proposal forms for any one of the contracts may be had upon payment of $5.00 for each proposal, which amount will be refunded if such proposal is used for the purpose of submitting a formal bid. Proposal guaranty: $30,000 for Contract E-1; $75,000 for Contract E-2; $13,000 for Contract E-3. Minimum wage rates have been established. Complete information at office of Department. Right reserved to waive any informality in or reject any any or all proposals. An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not equipped to undertake and complete the work.

By: WILLIAM F. CALLAHAN
Commissioner of Public Works.

April 14, 1951.

Bids: May 15, 1951

## Airlines Terminal & Parking Garage

TRIBOROUGH BRIDGE AND TUNNEL AUTHORITY

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority's Administration Building, Randall's Island, New York 35, N. Y., as follows:
Until 11:00 a.m. daylight saving time, on
TUESDAY, MAY 15, 1951

For the construction of East Side Airlines Terminal and Public Parking Garage located 37th to 38th Streets and First Avenue, Borough of Manhattan.

Deposit required for specifications, etc., $75 for each set.

The information for bidders, form of contractor's bid, form of contract, the specifications, the plans and the forms of performance and labor and material bonds may be examined at the office of the Architect, John B. Peterkin, 36 West 44 Street, New York, N. Y. and copies thereof may be obtained upon deposit for each set, of the amount hereinabove specified, to be refunded upon return of the plans and documents in good condition within 30 days after the opening of bids.

Bids: May 16, 1951

## Supervisory Control System

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE
WEST 178TH STREET AND WEST 179TH STREET TUNNELS
CONTRACT GWB-12e.019

Sealed proposals for furnishing and installing a supervisory control system for the West 178th Street and West 179th Street Tunnels, New York City, will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1100, 111 8th Ave., New York 11, until 2 P.M., Wednesday, May 16, 1951, and thereafter in the Auditorium of the Authority at the same address until 2:30 P.M., on the same date, at which latter time and place said proposals will be publicly opened and read.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer and copies will be furnished upon deposit of $25 per set. The deposit will be remitted if the documents are returned in good condition, not later than 30 days after the opening of proposals.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
Howard S. Cullman, Chairman.

New York, April 26, 1951

Bids: May 23, 1951

## Sewage Treatment Plant

Sealed bids will be received by the Palisades Interstate Park Commission until 2:00 P.M., E. D. S. T., May 23, 1951, for the construction of a sewage treatment plant for 10,000 population and a 200,000 gallon concrete reservoir in the Anthony Wayne Area (Queensboro), Harriman State Park, Orange County, New York.

Full information, plans, specifications and proposals may be secured at Administration Headquarters, Palisades Interstate Park Commission, Bear Mountain, N. Y. Payment for plans is Five Dollars ($5.00).

THE COMMISSION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS RECEIVED.

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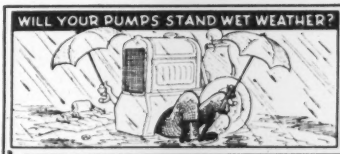


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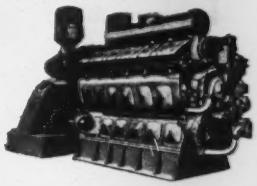

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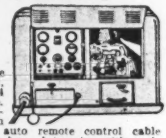

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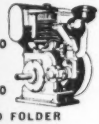

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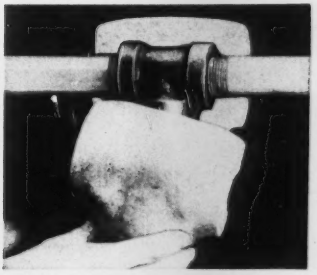
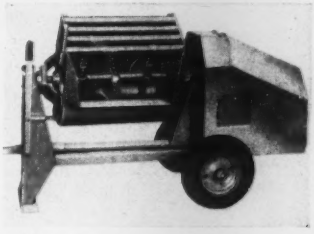


## Fitting insulation

Molded insulation fits around ells, tees, and 45-deg pipe connections. Birpac insulation combines easy application, neat appearance, and low thermal conductivity. It is molded from Fiberglas, and is available for all standard pipe sizes from ½ to 8 in. Installation is accomplished by placing the two halves over the fitting and then stapling, wiring, or taping them together.—Birnia Products Corp., 2665 Main St., Buffalo 14, N. Y.



## Plaster, mortar mixer

Mix-Miser ½-bag plaster and mortar mixer has a 3-ft capacity. Over-all width of the No. 3 mixer is 29½ in.; weight is 535 lb. without engine. Charging height of 36¾ in. and hinged protective grid permit safe charging without stopping the machine. Drum can be tipped past discharge position, permitting hosing out and thorough cleaning. Replaceable blade and hoe assemblies are bolted to the mixing shaft. Power can be supplied by gasoline engine or electric motor.—The Knickerbocker Co., 651 Liberty St., Jackson, Mich.

## Improved glass blocks

Two improvements to speed installation are announced for Insulux light-directing glass blocks. A special finish applied to the exposed faces is water-repellent, preventing adhesion of mortar to the faces during laying operations. This results in easier and faster cleaning of In-

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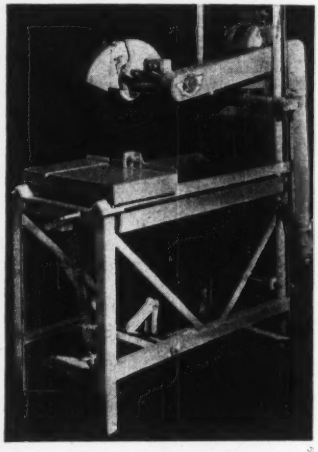
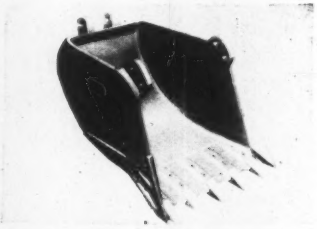


### Portable masonry saw

Supreme Speed Kut masonry saw is available in both wet and dry-cutting types. The manufacturer states that it will cut any type or hardness of masonry materials. Handcrank automatically controls and fixes the self-locking wheel-positioning mechanism. Toe pedal feeds cutting wheel into work. Water storage and sediment drawer under the cutting table is easily removed for dumping. Metal guard over wheel directs water down to the work. The saw is powered by a 1½-hp motor.—SUPREME EQUIPMENT CORP., 12415 EUCLID AVE., CLEVELAND 6, OHIO.



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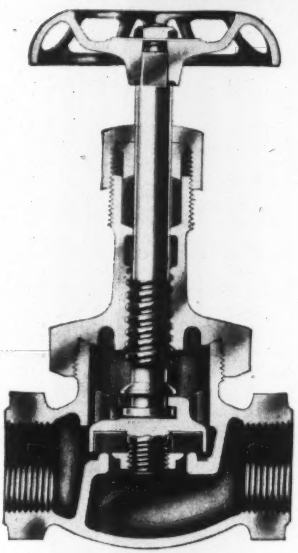

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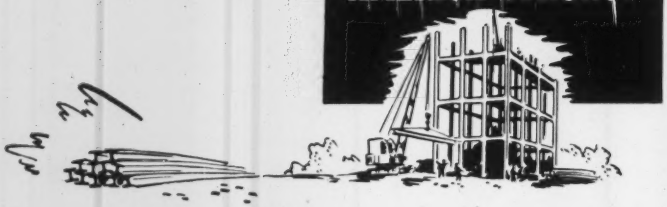

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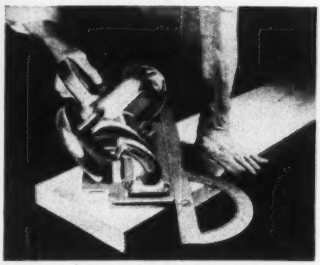

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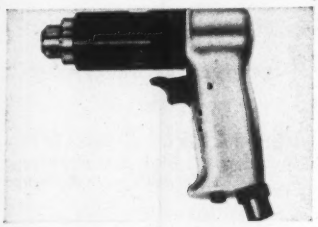

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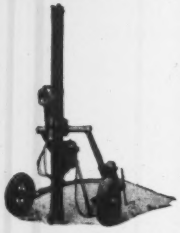

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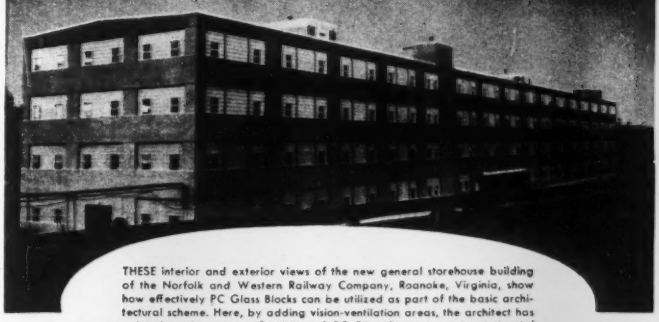

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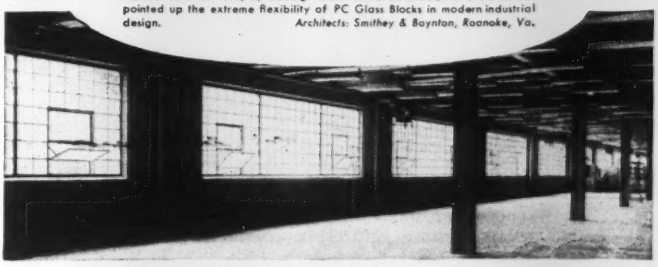

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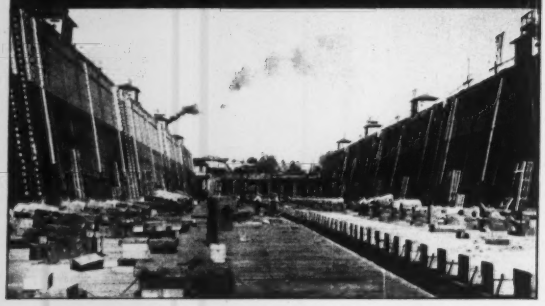

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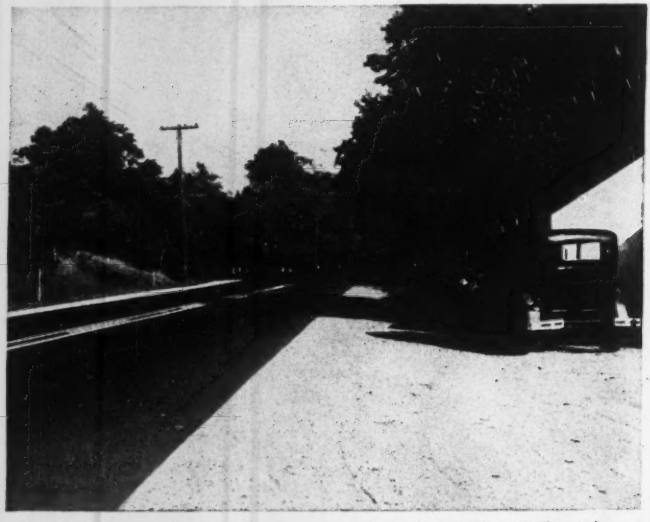

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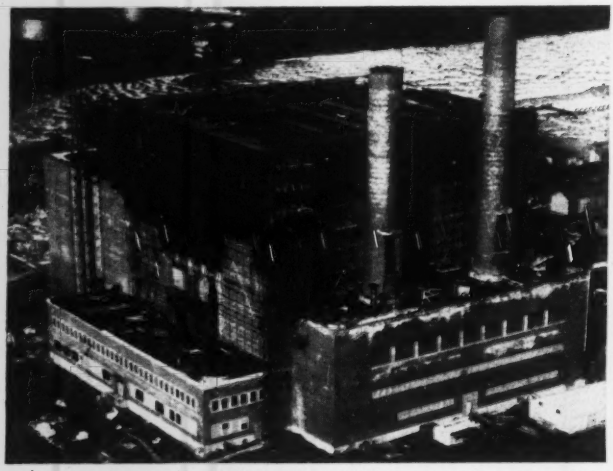

THE HEARN STEAM GENERATING PLANT in Toronto is one of eight named for living engineers and administrators by Canada's Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

# A salute to the living

The Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario is honoring living engineers.

At its 42nd annual meeting in Toronto, nine men—all but one of them alive and active (none of them prime ministers)—were singularly honored by the commission when it named after them nine principal generating and transformer stations.

The move sets a precedent of some kind. New names are in contrast with the prosaic, the political, or the geographical.

Named after **Richard L. Hearn,** now chief engineer and general manager of the Ontario Hydro, is the great steam generating station under construction to serve Toronto. The new plant will have a capacity of 536,000 hp. and will be in operation by 1952.

**Otto Holden,** assistant general manager in charge of engineering, has had his name given to the Le Cave hydro station, now under construction on the Ottawa River. This new plant will be in operation by 1952 and have a capacity of 256,000 hp.

• **Hearn and Holden**—Top direction of the Ontario Hydro now is in the hands of these two engineers who have been closely associated with its activities for many years. Just prior to World War II, Hearn was a special assistant to T. H. Hogg, then chairman and chief engineer of the commission. During the war he went into government service where he made an enviable record as chief engineer on the construction of Canada's synthetic rubber plant at Sarnia. Following completion of that work he was brought back to the Hydro as its general manager and chief engineer.

Holden, before he was advanced to his present position, was the commission's chief hydraulic engineer from 1937 to 1947, during which time he was responsible for the design and construction of all hydraulic power plants, storage works and other hydraulic structures for the Ontario commission.

• **A big six**—Other men honored included **A. W. Manby,** at present assistant general manager in charge of administration, who will find his name on Toronto's Kipling Ave. transformer station.

Named after **J. Clark Keith,** for many years general manager of the Windsor Utilities Commission, is the new steam generating station at Windsor on the Detroit River.

For **E. V. Buchanan,** for many years general manager of the London Utilities Commission, Ontario has renamed the Westminster frequency changer and transformer station in London.

**R. H. Martindale,** manager and secretary of the Sudbury Hydro Electric Commission was also honored. His name was given to the frequency changer and transformer station at Sudbury.

**Ross L. Dobbin,** general manager of the Peterborough Utilities Commission is to have the present Peterborough transformer station named after him.

Big surprise was the naming of the tunnel generating station in northern Ontario after **George W. Rayner,** president of the Rayner Construction Co. of Toronto, contractors on the job.

The late **Sir Adam Beck** was also honored. Named after him are two stations on the Niagara River at Queenstown.

Otto Holden

Richard L. Hearn

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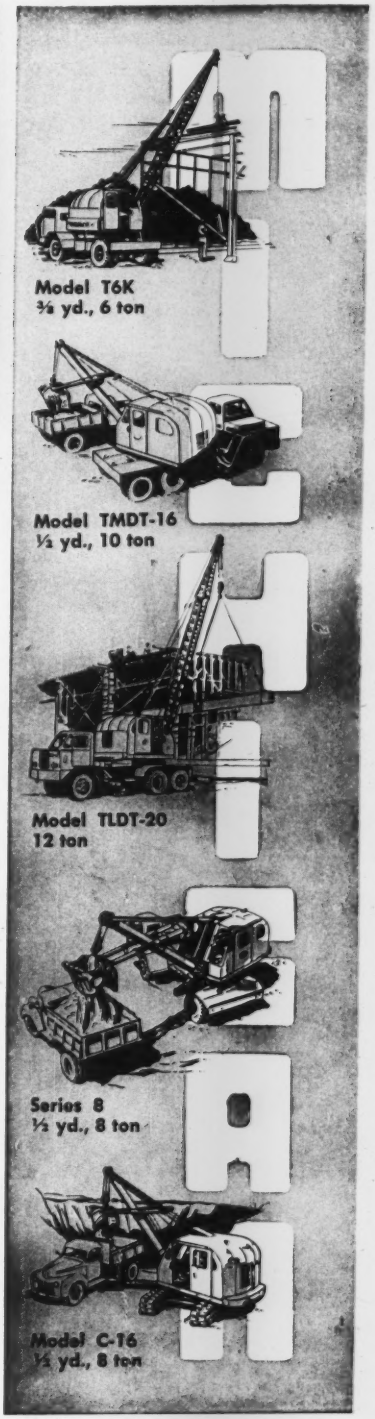

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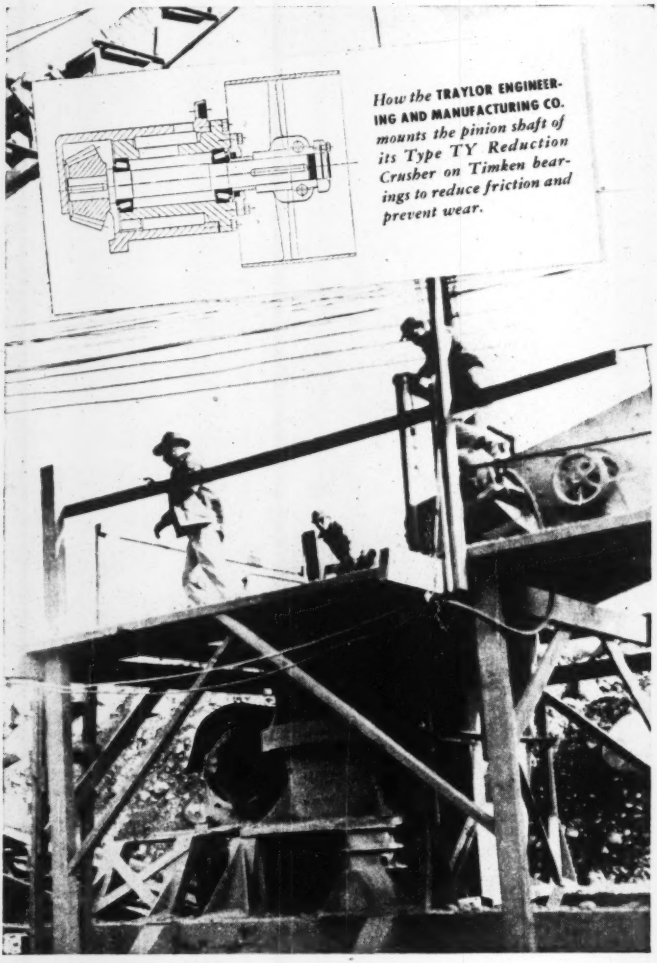

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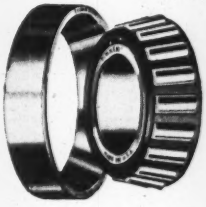

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